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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

December 9, 2003

Ms. Lori Allen
Anne Arundel County Office of Planning and Zoning
2664 Riva Road
Annapolis MD 21401-7305

Dear Ms. Allen

This letter is a follow-up to the report from DFI Inc., regarding a noise analysis, performed by Staiano Engineering Inc., for the Phelps property located on both sides of MD 10 just south of Holloway Road in Anne Arundel County. I appreciate the opportunity to respond to you concerning this report.

The State Highway Administration (SHA) has reviewed the Staiano Engineering, Inc. report for the Phelps property along MD 10. In this area, MD10 is a 6-lane, divided highway. The development consists of two separate sites: one adjacent to northbound MD10 at the end of Gerard Road; and the second adjacent to southbound MD10 at the end of Norman Avenue. Our review and analysis of this report indicates that the recommendations given in the report appear to meet the letter of the Anne Arundel County Ordinance regarding potential highway traffic noise impacts on new developments. On a technical level, the noise model used for this analysis does not appear to have been calibrated using ambient noise measurements with concurrent classified traffic counts and, therefore, the field results may differ.

The proposed barrier solution provides only one to two-decibels of abatement at many of the receptor points in the model. This would not provide a noticeable noise level difference, but would achieve an after barrier noise level result of 66-decibels, the State's noise level impact threshold. SHA requests that the developer's plans include a notation that the State would not be responsible for the effects of potential highway traffic noise impacts on this development, and that the developer disclose this information to prospective home buyers in this community.

The State Highway Administration requests that all future submissions come through your office and not directly from developers or engineers associated with their projects. Since the Anne Arundel County Ordinance requires developers, under Article 26, Title 3, 3-107.K.2.I, "...USING THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION MODEL;" SHA is working to provide a written procedure for your use in clarifying the definition and intent of this language for developers. We also wish to meet with your Department leadership to clarify roles and responsibilities in these matters.

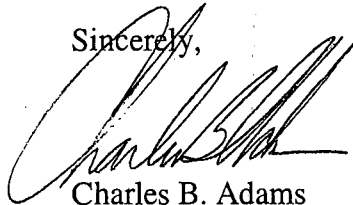
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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. James Hade, our Noise Abatement Team Leader, at 410-545-8599 or 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at jhade@sha.state.md.us. He will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,



Charles B. Adams
Director
Office of Environmental Design

cc: The Honorable Joan Cadden, Member, Maryland House of Delegates
The Honorable Donald H. Dwyer, Jr., Member, Maryland House of Delegates
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Mr. T.E. Severe, Administrative Assistant, Noise Abatement Team, Office of
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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

September 3, 2003

The Honorable John S. Arnick
Maryland House of Delegates
426 Lowe House Office Building
84 College Avenue
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Arnick:

This letter is an update on sound barrier projects for Baltimore County. Information was also recently provided to Baltimore County Executive James T. Smith, Jr., to aid Baltimore County in its budget deliberations.

The Oriole Avenue and Chesaco Park communities, located along northbound MD 695 from just north of Eastern Avenue (MD 150) to the south branch of Moores Run (Oriole Avenue) and from the Back River to the Amtrak railroad bridge northeast of Chesaco Avenue (Chesaco Park), meet all of the State Highway Administration's (SHA) criteria for a Type II, or "retrofit," sound barrier. This sound barrier project is not funded for design or construction at this time. There are no funds available for new sound barrier projects through FY 2008. At such time as funding may become available for new projects, the project would be eligible for funding when Baltimore County is able to commit to its share of the estimated cost. The current estimated cost for the sound barrier project for the Oriole Avenue community is \$1.5 million and for the Chesaco Park community is \$3.8 million. The County shares would be \$329,000 (Oriole Avenue) and \$835,000 (Chesaco Park).

It may be helpful for you to know that, when barriers are considered for inclusion in our capital budget, they are prioritized—first, by the order in which each county's commitments for the local share have been received; and, second, by the age of the communities. Once SHA receives a commitment for any of these Baltimore County projects, it will be prioritized as described above.

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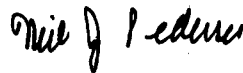
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Sincerely,



Neil J. Pedersen
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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

September 3, 2003

The Honorable Joseph Bartenfelder
Baltimore County Council
400 Washington Avenue, Room 205
Towson MD 21204-4672

Dear Councilman Bartenfelder:

This letter is an update on sound barrier projects for Baltimore County. Information was also recently provided to Baltimore County Executive James T. Smith, Jr., to aid Baltimore County in its budget deliberations.

The seven Baltimore County communities described below meet all of the State Highway Administration's (SHA) criteria for a Type II, or "retrofit," sound barrier. They are not funded for design or construction at this time. There are no funds available for new sound barrier projects through FY 2008. At such time as funding may become available for new projects, these projects would be eligible for funding, once Baltimore County commits to its share of their cost. The current cost estimates are:

<u>Highway</u>	<u>Community</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>	<u>County Cost Share</u>
I-695	Woodholme Avenue	\$2.0 million	\$439,000
I-83	Priceville	\$1.8 million	\$395,000
I-695	Ridge Grove/ Woodland Heights	\$6.3 million	\$1.38 million
I-195	Cedar Heights/ Richardson Mews/ Francis Avenue	\$5.8 million	\$1.27 million
MD 695	Oriole Avenue	\$1.5 million	\$329,000
MD 695	Chesaco Avenue	\$3.8 million	\$835,000
I-695	Greenlawn/ Windsor Park	\$2.5 million	\$551,000
Total:		\$23.7 million	\$5.199 million

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

July 10, 2003

The Honorable Elizabeth Bobo
Maryland House of Delegates
5561 Suffield Court
Columbia MD 21044-2774

Dear Delegate Bobo:

This letter is an update regarding the sound barrier for the Atholton Manor community, along southbound US 29 between Broken Land Parkway and Seneca Drive in Howard County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide this information.

At their October 15, 2002 meeting with residents of the Atholton Manor community, representatives of the State Highway Administration (SHA) stated that they expected to start construction on the barrier for the community in Fall 2003. We have since learned that the Howard County budget for FY 2004 does not include the County's share of the cost for this barrier. As a result, SHA will not proceed with construction this Fall but will establish a new construction schedule once the County's funding has been approved. Based on information we have received from Howard County staff, we have reason to hope that the County's FY 2005 budget may contain funding for this project.

Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. We appreciate your patience during this difficult time of budget challenges. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Nicole Ross, of SHA's Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962, or nross@sha.state.md.us. She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should never hesitate to contact me directly, if you prefer.

Sincerely,

Neil J. Pedersen
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Elizabeth A. Calia, P.E., Chief Engineer, Transportation and Special Projects Division,
Howard County Bureau of Engineering
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Noise Customer #: 1090, 2424, 2552, 2568, 2620, 2663, 2682 (Atholton Manor)

Responding to letter dated: Follow-up to 10-15-2002 SHA-hosted community informational meeting for Atholton Manor and Guilford Downs at George Howard Building, Ellicott City; Howard County (with information provided by Ms. Elizabeth Calia) has indicated it may include a funding request for the Allview Estates, Atholton Manor and Guilford Downs sound barriers in its FY 2005 budget (June 2004); the construction start date would be scheduled by SHA for all three barriers (Atholton Manor, Guilford Downs and Allview Estates) once the County's funding has been approved

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

September 3, 2003

The Honorable Joseph C. Boteler, III
Maryland House of Delegates
5024 Campbell Boulevard, Suite R
Baltimore MD 21236-5974

Dear Delegate Boteler:

This letter is an update on sound barrier projects for Baltimore County. Information was also recently provided to Baltimore County Executive James T. Smith, Jr., to aid Baltimore County in its budget deliberations.

The Ridge Grove and Woodland Heights communities, located along the I-695 inner loop from east of Harford Road to east of Putty Hill Avenue (Ridge Grove) and along the outer loop of I-695 from east of Harford Road to east of Avondale Avenue (Woodland Heights), meet all of the State Highway Administration's (SHA) criteria for Type II, or "retrofit," sound barriers. This sound barrier project is not funded for design or construction at this time. There are no funds available for new sound barrier projects through FY 2008. At such time as funding may become available for new projects, the project would be eligible for funding when Baltimore County is able to commit to its share of the estimated cost. The current estimated cost for the sound barrier project for the Ridge Grove and Woodland Heights communities is \$6.3 million, with the County share being \$1.38 million.

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

November 5, 2003

The Honorable Anthony G. Brown
Maryland House of Delegates
c/o Gibbs and Haller
4640 Forbes Boulevard
Lanham MD 20706-4323

Dear Delegate Brown:

Thank you for your letter on behalf of your constituent, Mr. Charles M. Griffin, regarding a drainage problem behind his rental property on Carswell Terrace and adjacent to the sound barrier for the Princeton/Andrews Manor community on the outer loop of I-95/I-495 at Auth Road in Prince George's County. I appreciate the opportunity to respond to your concerns.

Mr. Griffin e-mailed our Office of Environmental Design on October 17 to express his concerns about the drainage situation behind his property at 6108 Carswell Terrace and two additional adjacent residences. Ms. Nicole Ross, Special Assistant to our Director of Environmental Design, e-mailed Mr. Griffin on October 22 to let him know that we are aware of this drainage problem. He was referred to Mr. Raja Veeramachaneni, the Chief of our Office of Highway Design's Highway Hydraulics Division, who is also aware of the situation and is heading up the remedial effort to correct the problem. A copy of Ms. Ross's e-mail message to Mr. Griffin is enclosed.

Thank you again for your letter on behalf of Mr. Griffin. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Ross at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at nross@sha.state.md.us. She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should not hesitate to contact me directly, if you prefer.

Sincerely,

Neil J. Pedersen
Administrator

Enclosure

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The Honorable Marilyn M. Bland, Member, Prince George's County Council
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The Honorable Dereck E. Davis, Member, Maryland House of Delegates
Mr. Charles M. Griffin
The Honorable Melony G. Griffith, Member, Maryland House of Delegates
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Responding to letter dated: Follow-up to 10-20-2003 letter from Del. Brown to SHA Administrator Pedersen requesting action on drainage problem indicated by Mr. Charles Griffin in his 10-17-2003 e-mail to SHA's "barrier"; Mr. Griffin also cc'd all of the members of the District 25 delegation (Sen. Currie and Dels. Brown, Davis and Griffith); Ms. Nicole Ross e-mailed Mr. Griffin on 10-22-2003 to let him know that SHA was aware of the drainage problem adjacent to the sound barrier behind his property and the two adjacent properties; the drainage remediation effort is being addressed by the Highway Hydraulics Division, under Mr. Raja Veeramachaneni, Div. Chief; his contact info was provided in that e-mail

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From: NICOLE ROSS
To: charles.m.griffin@verizon.com
Date: 10/22/03 10:21AM
Subject: Re: Drainage Ditch near the Auth Road overpass

October 22, 2003

Mr. Charles M. Griffin
charles.m.griffin@verizon.com
5512 Magruder Ave.
Suitland MD 20746

Dear Mr. Griffin:

Thank you for your recent e-mail message regarding the installation of the sound barrier along I-95/I-495 near the Auth Road overpass in Prince Georges County. I appreciate the opportunity to respond to your concerns.

You indicated that the water will not drain properly along the sound barrier near your property. By copy of this email, we are referring your concerns to Mr. Raja Veeramachaneni, Division Chief of the State Highway Administration's (SHA) Office of Highway Design's Highway Hydraulics Division. He may be reached by telephone at 410-545-8390 or, by e-mail, at RVeeramachaneni@sha.state.md.us. He will be happy to assist you.

Thank you again for your e-mail. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 410-545-8616 or 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at nross@sha.state.md.us.

Director

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To whom it may concern,

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October 20, 2003

Neil J. Pedersen
State Highway Administrator
State Highway Administration
Department of Transportation
707 North Calvert St.
Baltimore, MD 21202

Dear Mr. Pedersen:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter I recently received from a constituent, Mr. Charles M. Griffin. Mr. Griffin raises several serious issues that warrant your attention.

Please advise me as to the status of his request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "AGB".

Anthony G. Brown

AGB:kam

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Charles M. Griffin

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Delegate Anthony Brown

From: charles.m.griffin@verizon.com
Sent: Friday, October 17, 2003 1:46 PM
To: barrier@sha.state.md.us
Cc: melony_griffith@house.state.md.us; dereck_davis@house.state.md.us;
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10-20-03 Del. Brown wrote to SHA Administrator on behalf of Mr. Griffin to get action on resolving the drainage issue at 6108 Carswell Ter (Mr. Griffin's rental prop); OED had already e-mailed Mr. Griffin on 10-22-03							
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10-17-03 Mr. Griffin e-mailed "barrier"; Mr. Griffin owns 6108 Carswell Terrace and there is a drainage problem (lack of) at the rear of this an two adjacent residences by the newly constructed sound barrier; Mr. Griffin contacted PG Co about the drainage proble and was referred back to SHA; Mr. Griffin indicated that he has not been successful in resolving the problem with SHA (property occupants have also been unsuccessful in contacting SHA and obtaining info regarding a solution to the problem; SHA is aware of the drainage issue and the OHD Highway Hydraulics Div (headed by Mr. Raja Veeramachaneni) is working on a solution; this info was conveyed to Mr. Griffin in a 10-22-03 e-mail message from Ms. Nicole Ross							
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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

September 3, 2003

The Honorable Emmett C. Burns, Jr.
Maryland House of Delegates
8419 Liberty Road, Suite B
Baltimore MD 21244-3100

Dear Delegate Burns:

This letter is an update on sound barrier projects for Baltimore County. Information was also recently provided to Baltimore County Executive James T. Smith, Jr., to aid Baltimore County in its budget deliberations.

The Greenlawn/Windsor Park community, located along the inner loop of I-695 from 1,600 feet south of Windsor Mill Road to Windsor Mill Road, meets all of the State Highway Administration's (SHA) criteria for a Type II, or "retrofit," sound barrier. This sound barrier project is not funded for design or construction at this time. There are no funds available for new sound barrier projects through FY 2008. At such time as funding may become available for new projects, the project would be eligible for funding when Baltimore County is able to commit to its share of the estimated cost. The current estimated cost for the sound barrier project for the Greenlawn/Windsor Park community is \$2.5 million, with the County share being \$551,000.

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Dear Delegate Cardin:

This letter is an update on sound barrier projects for Baltimore County. Information was also recently provided to Baltimore County Executive James T. Smith, Jr., to aid Baltimore County in its budget deliberations.

The Woodholme Avenue community, adjacent to the ramp from Reisterstown Road (MD 140) to southbound I-695, meets all of the State Highway Administration's (SHA) criteria for a Type II, or "retrofit," sound barrier. This sound barrier project is not funded for design or construction at this time. There are no funds available for new sound barrier projects through FY 2008. At such time as funding may become available for new projects, the project would be eligible for funding when Baltimore County is able to commit to its share of the estimated cost. The current estimated cost for the sound barrier project for the Woodholme Avenue community is \$2.0 million, with the County share being \$439,000.

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

August 25, 2003

The Honorable Galen R. Clagett
Maryland House of Delegates
8 North East Street, Suite 201
Frederick MD 21701-5601

Dear Delegate ~~Clagett~~ *Galen*:

This letter is a follow-up to your recent request for information about the communities in the City of Frederick that meet the technical criteria for Type II sound barriers under the State's Sound Barrier Program. I appreciate the opportunity to provide the following information.

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The noise analysis will consider the impact of proposed highway improvements on projected future noise levels. We will, specifically, determine whether future highway noise levels will equal or exceed the impact threshold of 66 decibels. If so, then we will also determine whether the highway noise would be at least three decibels higher than it would be, if the highway were not improved. A three-decibel increase is required because the human ear only begins to discern a change in noise levels if that change is between three and five decibels. The homes that would be impacted by any such increase in highway noise would also have to predate the approval of the highway improvements. If these conditions are met, we would then determine whether we could design and build a barrier for a reasonable cost. Mr. Russ Walto, SHA's Project Engineer, will be pleased to provide any additional information that you may desire. He may be reached at 410-545-8547 or, by e-mail, at rwalto@sha.state.md.us.

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September 3, 2003

The Honorable John W.E. Cluster
Maryland House of Delegates
5024 Campbell Boulevard, Suite R
Baltimore MD 21236-5974

Dear Delegate Cluster:

This letter is an update on sound barrier projects for Baltimore County. Information was also recently provided to Baltimore County Executive James T. Smith, Jr., to aid Baltimore County in its budget deliberations.

The Ridge Grove and Woodland Heights communities, located along the I-695 inner loop from east of Harford Road to east of Putty Hill Avenue (Ridge Grove) and along the outer loop of I-695 from east of Harford Road to east of Avondale Avenue (Woodland Heights), meet all of the State Highway Administration's (SHA) criteria for Type II, or "retrofit," sound barriers. This sound barrier project is not funded for design or construction at this time. There are no funds available for new sound barrier projects through FY 2008. At such time as funding may become available for new projects, the project would be eligible for funding when Baltimore County is able to commit to its share of the estimated cost. The current estimated cost for the sound barrier project for the Ridge Grove and Woodland Heights communities is \$6.3 million, with the County share being \$1.38 million.

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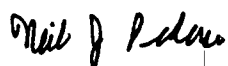
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The SHA looks forward to working with Baltimore County's representatives to provide barriers for these eligible communities. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Charles B. Adams, SHA's Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8640 or, by e-mail, at cadams@sha.state.md.us. He will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should never hesitate to contact me directly, if you prefer.

Sincerely,



Neil J. Pedersen
Administrator

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Mr. Patrick H. Roddy, Assistant County Attorney/Legislative Liaison, Office of the
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September 3, 2003

The Honorable Steven J. DeBoy, Sr.
Maryland House of Delegates
5408 East Drive
Arbutus MD 21227-2604

Dear Delegate DeBoy:

This letter is an update on sound barrier projects for Baltimore County. Information was also recently provided to Baltimore County Executive James T. Smith, Jr., to aid Baltimore County in its budget deliberations.

The Relay community is located along both sides of I-195 from Washington Boulevard (US 1) to northwest of Francis Avenue and includes the Francis Avenue (south), Cedar Heights/St. Denis and Richardson Mews/Francis Avenue (north) communities. It meets all of the State Highway Administration's (SHA) criteria for a Type II, or "retrofit," sound barrier. This sound barrier project is not funded for design or construction at this time. There are no funds available for new sound barrier projects through FY 2008. At such time as funding may become available for new projects, the project would be eligible for funding when Baltimore County is able to commit to its share of the estimated cost. The current estimated cost for the sound barrier project for the Relay community is \$5.8 million, with the County share being \$1.27 million.

It may be helpful for you to know that, when barriers are considered for inclusion in our capital budget, they are prioritized—first, by the order in which each county's commitments for the local share have been received; and, second, by the age of the communities. Once SHA receives a commitment for any of these Baltimore County projects, it will be prioritized as described above.

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

November 13, 2003

The Honorable Howard A. Denis
Montgomery County Council
Stella B. Werner Council Office Building
100 Maryland Avenue
Rockville MD 20850-2367

Dear Councilmember Denis:

Howie

Thank you for your letter on behalf of the Bethesda Place/Stratton Commons community, located in the southeast quadrant of the I-270 West Spur/Democracy Boulevard interchange in Montgomery County. I appreciate the opportunity to respond to your concerns.

The State Highway Administration (SHA) considers the need for sound barriers in two circumstances, designated "Type I" and "Type II." In "Type I" situations, barriers are considered when a new highway is being built or an existing highway is being expanded. At this time, we have no plans to improve this portion of the I-270 West Spur that would warrant a Type I sound barrier evaluation.

For the most recent improvements to the I-270 West Spur, the area was studied in an environmental re-analysis, which was completed in Fall 2000. The purpose of this re-analysis was to review the design proposals for consistency with the approved 1997 Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) environmental document. As part of the reevaluation, a reassessment of the noise analysis results was conducted, and those results confirmed the prior findings that there were insufficient increases in noise to warrant consideration of noise abatement. These conclusions were based on a comparison of noise levels from the proposed project (the "build" condition) with: 1) the "no-build" condition (not constructing the improvements) and: 2) the cumulative effects of prior improvements to the I-270 West Spur (that is, noise from the original four-lane section compared to the "build" noise levels with the new improvements).

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When a highway already exists and is *not* being expanded—so that Type I criteria do not apply—a community that predates the original highway may be considered for our “Type II,” or “retrofit,” sound barrier program. The intent of the Type II program is to address areas of noise impact along highways that were built before environmental analyses became a part of the highway development process. All of the following technical criteria must be met for a Type II barrier to be approved: the majority of impacted homes must predate the highway; existing noise levels must equal or exceed the 66-decibel impact threshold; and an effective barrier must be able to be built for \$50,000 or less per benefited home. If these criteria are met, the county in which the community is located must have an ordinance that addresses the impact of highway traffic noise on new residential development, and the county must agree to fund 20 percent of the barrier cost.

The State Highway Administration has evaluated the Bethesda Place/Stratton Commons community for a Type II sound barrier as outlined above. The results determined that the majority of the homes in the community were constructed in the mid-to-late-1970s, after the 1964 opening of the I-270 West Spur. Based on this information, the Stratton Commons community cannot be considered for a Type II sound barrier because it postdates the I-270 West Spur.

The Bethesda Place Community Council has filed an appeal to SHA’s decision not to provide Type I sound barriers as part of the I-270 West Spur/Democracy Boulevard interchange project. We are currently evaluating that appeal and will be happy to provide a copy of the results to you, when the appeal process has been completed.

Thank you again for your letter and your continuing interest in the State’s Sound Barrier Program. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Charles B. Adams, our Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8640, 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at cadams@sha.state.md.us. He will be pleased to assist you. Of course, you should never hesitate to contact me directly, if you prefer.

Sincerely,

Neil J. Pedersen

Neil J. Pedersen
Administrator

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Mr. T.E. Severe, Administrative Assistant, Noise Abatement Team, SHA

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Noise Customer #: 2329

Responding to letter dated: Follow-up to Councilmember Denis' 10-22-2003 letter to SHA Admin.

Pedersen: "The citizen groups that are affected by noise in the I-270/Democracy Boulevard interchange corridor have contacted me to express their disappointment in the decision not to include noise barriers near the Bethesda Place Community as part of the interchange project. I would urge you to reconsider some of the measures that they are requesting. Thank you for reconsidering the requests from those living near I-270 and Democracy Boulevard in Bethesda. Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns."

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HOWARD A. DENIS
COUNCILMEMBER
DISTRICT 1

October 22, 2003

Neil Pedersen, Administrator
State Highway Administration
9300 Kenilworth Avenue
Greenbelt, MD 20770

Dear Mr. Pedersen:

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Howard A. Denis".

Howard A. Denis
Councilmember, District 1

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September 9, 2003

Mr. Raymond Sanchez
9928 Derbyshire Lane
Bethesda MD 20817-1535

Dear Mr. Sanchez:

This letter is a follow-up to your recent e-mail message regarding a sound barrier for the Stratton Commons community located in the southeastern quadrant of the I-270 West Spur/Democracy Boulevard interchange in Montgomery County. I appreciate the opportunity to respond to your inquiry.

The State Highway Administration (SHA) considers the need for sound barriers in two circumstances, designated "Type I" and "Type II." In "Type I" situations, barriers are considered when a new highway is being built or an existing highway is being expanded. At this time, we have no plans to improve this portion of the I-270 West Spur that would warrant a Type I sound barrier evaluation.

For the most recent improvements to the I-270 West Spur, the area was studied in an environmental re-analysis that was completed in the Fall of 2000. The purpose of this re-analysis was to review the design proposals for consistency with the approved 1997 Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) environmental document. As part of the re-evaluation, a re-assessment of the noise analysis results was conducted and those results confirmed the prior findings that there were insufficient increases in noise to warrant consideration of noise abatement. These conclusions were based on a comparison of noise levels from the proposed project (the "build" condition) with: 1) the "no-build" condition (not constructing the improvements) and: 2) the cumulative effects of prior improvements to the I-270 West Spur (that is, noise from the original 4-lane section compared to the "build" noise levels with the new improvements).

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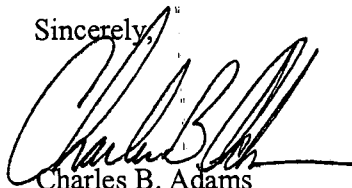
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The State Highway Administration has evaluated the Stratton Commons community for a Type II sound barrier as outlined above. The results of our evaluation determined that the majority of the homes in the community were constructed in the mid to late-1970s after the 1964 opening of the I-270 West Spur. Based on this information, the Stratton Commons community cannot be considered for a Type II sound barrier because it postdates the I-270 West Spur. Enclosed, for your information, is a copy of our brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*, that outlines the State's Sound Barrier Policy.

You indicated that your concerns, in addition to noise, also related to safety and security. Those concerns should be directed to Mr. Charlie K. Watkins, our District Engineer for Montgomery County. He can be contacted, by telephone, at 301-531-7300, and, by mail, at the State Highway Administration District Office, 9300 Kenilworth Avenue, Greenbelt, Maryland 20770-1403. Mr. Watkins can also be reached, by e-mail, at cwatkins@sha.state.md.us. He will be happy to assist you.

Thank you for your e-mail message and your interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Nicole Ross, of our staff, at 410-545-8616 or 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at nross@sha.state.md.us. She will also be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,



Charles B. Adams

Director

Office of Environmental Design

Enclosure

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Mr. T.E. Severe, Administrative Assistant, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration

Serial #: None

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Noise Customer #: 2733

Responding to letter dated: Follow-up to 08-18-2003 e-mail message from Mr. Sanchez to "barrier"; Mr. Sanchez is apparently the newest owner of 9928 Derbyshire Lane (Real Property System entry still shows previous owners of property, Mr. & Mrs. Patrick K. Conroy); Mr. Sanchez wrote: "I am a resident of Montgomery County, Md and my property backs to I-270 at the Democracy Blvd. interchange. I would like to request the construction of sound barriers to the back of my property and my neighborhood Stratton Commons. The area across I-270 and my property have these barriers and recent construction has increased the decibel level to my neighborhood significantly. Please feel free to contact me via email as soon as possible to set up the opportunity for discussion. My concerns relate to safety, noise and security. Thank you . . ."; the Stratton Commons community has been evaluated in the past and fails for Type II consideration for date

NOTE: 09-09-2003 - Mr. Sanchez 08-26-2003 letter was re-sent with the date changed to 09-09-2003 per Mr. Sanchez's request; he indicated in 09-09-2003 telephone conversation with Ms. Nicole Ross that he did not receive the 08-26-2003 letter; OED/NAT also providing noise report data on the community that Mr. Sanchez requested and a photocopy of the 08-26-2003 letter and *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*

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Enclosure:

One copy of MDOT/SHA brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*

First page of Report No. FHWA-EA-96-01-F Federal Highway Administration Region III Finding of No Significant Impact I-270 at MD 187 and I-270 Spur at Democracy Boulevard, dated 03-03-1997

One copy of Selected Alternative Key Map from the 03-03-1997 FONSI

One copy each of pages III-37 thru and including III-48

One copy each (11 x 17) of Figures 15A, 15B and 16



Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr., Governor
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May 13, 2003

The Honorable Thomas E. Dernoga
Prince George's County Council
County Administration Building
2nd Floor
14741 Governor Oden Bowie Drive
Upper Marlboro MD 20772-3037

Dear Councilman ~~Dernoga~~ *Tom*:

This June, the State Highway Administration (SHA) will conduct *two* informational meetings regarding *three* sound barrier projects that will affect the Powder Mill Estates/Knollwood and Hollywood communities in Prince George's County. The three projects are:

- the proposed barrier along southbound I-95 just south of Cherry Hill Road (of interest to Powder Mill Estates);
- the proposed barrier adjacent to the ramp from southbound I-95 to westbound I-495 (of interest to Knollwood); and
- the extension of the sound barrier that currently runs adjacent to eastbound I-95/I495, toward the MARC/Metro tracks (of interest to Hollywood).

The meeting for the Powder Mill Estates and Knollwood communities is scheduled for Wednesday, June 11, 2003, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the Multi-Purpose Room/Cafeteria of the High Point High School, 3601 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville. The second meeting, for the Hollywood community, is scheduled for Wednesday, June 18, 2003 in the Multi-Purpose Room/Cafeteria of the Hollywood Elementary School, 9811 49th Avenue, in College Park. Before each of these meetings, displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

The purpose of each meeting is to discuss the proposed sound barriers and to seek concurrence on the construction of the barriers from at least 75 percent of the impacted property owners who would benefit from the barriers. We will distribute vote cards at each meeting to those impacted homeowners. Impacted property owners who are eligible to vote are those whose homes experience existing highway noise levels of 66 decibels or more.

My telephone number/toll-free number is **410-545-0400 or 1-800-206-0770**

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Property owners who are unable to attend these meetings will receive a summary of the meeting and copies of all materials distributed at the meeting approximately seven to ten days following the meetings. Voting cards will also be included for eligible, impacted property owners who were unable to attend the meetings.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns beforehand, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Nicole Ross, of our staff, at 410-545-8616 or 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at nross@sha.state.md.us. She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,



Neil J. Pedersen
Administrator

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Mr. Charlie K. Watkins, District Engineer, State Highway Administration

Serial #: None

OED Serial#: None

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(Powder Mill Estates)

Responding to letter dated: Invitation to affected (both impacted and benefited) property owners to attend the SHA-hosted community informational meeting on 06-11-2003 at the High Point High School, 3601 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville, Maryland (Powder Mill Estates and Knollwood communities; Invitation to affected (both impacted and benefited) property owners to attend the SHA-hosted community informational meeting on 06-18-2003 at the Hollywood Elementary School, 9811 49th Avenue, College Park (Hollywood community)

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

May 16, 2003

Mr. Jeffrey Y. Dreyer, P.E.
Chief, Highway Design Division
Bureau of Engineering and Construction
Baltimore County Department of Public Works
County Office Building, Room 200
111 West Chesapeake Avenue
Towson MD 21204-4603

Dear Mr. Dreyer:

Thank you for your recent e-mail message regarding proposed Type II sound barrier projects and their locations in Baltimore County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with the following.

We are enclosing a copy of our most recent list of eligible Type II sound barrier projects in Baltimore County which indicates the current estimated construction costs for each and the associated County cost share. Also enclosed, for your use, are copies of SHA internal Concurrence Memoranda for each project. All of these memoranda include maps or plans that provide the locations of the sound barriers.

Thank you for your e-mail message. If you have additional questions or require more information, please do not hesitate to contact either myself or Mr. James Hade, our Noise Abatement Team Leader, at 410-545-8599 or, by e-mail, at jhade@sha.state.md.us.

Sincerely,

Charles B. Adams

Director
Office of Environmental Design

Enclosures

cc: James D. Hade, RLA, Noise Abatement Team Leader, State Highway Administration

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Baltimore County Type II Sound Barrier Projects

Highway	Community	Previously Reported Estimated Cost	Previously Reported County Cost Share	Updated Estimated Cost	Updated County Cost Share
I-695	Woodholme Avenue	\$1.52 million	\$300,000	\$2.0 million	\$439,000
I-83	Priceville	\$1.34 million	\$270,000	\$1.8 million	\$395,000
I-695	Ridge Grove/ Woodland Heights	\$5.63 million	\$1.07 million	\$6.3 million	\$1.38 million
I-195	Cedar Heights/ Richardson Mews/ Francis Avenue	\$4.4 million	\$880,000	\$5.8 million	\$1.27 million
MD 695	Oriole Avenue	\$1.14 million	\$230,000	\$1.5 million	\$329,000
MD 695	Chesaco Avenue	\$3.9 million	\$780,000	\$3.8 million	\$835,000
I-695	Greenlawn/ Windsor Park	\$1.73 million	\$350,000	\$2.5 million	\$551,000

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Transportation
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Administration

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Responding to letter dated: Follow-up to 05-13-2003 e-mail message to Mr. Adams requesting mapping of locations of proposed sound barrier projects in Baltimore County; this info to assist Mr. Dreyer in responding to Baltimore County citizen inquiries to his office regarding proposed sound barriers in the County

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Enclosures:

One copy each of the following:

Baltimore County Type II Sound Barrier Project Status Update Letter to County Executive Ruppertsberger from SHA Administrator Parker F. Williams, dated September 13, 2002

MDOT/SHA Concurrence Memoranda for:

- Woodholme Avenue, dated January 21, 1999
- Priceville, dated January 11, 1999
- Ridge Grove (Inner Loop I-695) and Woodland Heights (Outer Loop I-695), dated December 28, 1999
- Relay, dated June 8, 1999
- Oriole Avenue, dated August 20, 1999 (Note: This memorandum not signed off)
- Chesaco Park, dated January 9, 2001
- Greenlawn/Windsor Park, dated December 13, 1999
- Dunmoore Estates/Eden Terrace (Inner Loop I-695) and Eden Terrace (Outer Loop I-695), dated March 18, 1999
- Catonsville Heights/Edmondson Ridge (Inner Loop I-695) and Catonsville Heights (Outer Loop I-695), dated March 18, 1999

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

November 12, 2003

Ms. Betty Hager Francis
Director, Prince George's County
Department of Public Works and Transportation
Inglewood Center III
9400 Peppercorn Place, Suite 300
Largo MD 20774-5377

Dear Ms. Francis:

This letter is to provide you with an update on the progress of the sound barrier project for the Powder Mill Estates (southbound I-95 just south of Cherry Hill Road), Knollwood (along the ramp from southbound I-95 to westbound I-495), and Hollywood (extension of the existing barrier eastward along I-95/I-495 toward the MARC/Metro tracks) communities in Prince George's County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide the following.

Prince George's County has previously requested that a special architectural finish (Art Mural Images) be utilized as an aesthetic treatment on the barriers for the Powder Mill Estates, Knollwood and Hollywood communities. The designs of the barriers provide a good opportunity to utilize the Art Mural Images on two of the three barriers, for a total length of approximately 960 feet. We are not proposing this treatment on the portions of the barriers that will be substantially hidden by vegetation. We have received direction that, given the current budget picture the state is experiencing, moving forward with this treatment will require that Prince George's County fund the difference in cost between a standard sound barrier and the Art Mural Image treatment for this project. This cost difference would be in addition to the normal 20 percent cost share for this Type II sound barrier project. We estimate that the additional cost for the Art Mural Images treatment will be approximately \$317,120. This would bring the total estimated cost share for Prince George's County share to \$1,326,265.

Based upon our previous discussions it appears from our information that you have budgeted sufficient funds to cover this increase, should you agree to pick up the additional cost. Please let me know, at your earliest convenience, the County's willingness to fund the total cost for these treatments in order that we may move forward with the project.

My telephone number/toll-free number is _____

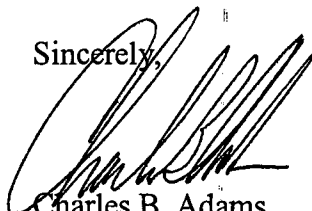
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Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please let me know.

Sincerely,



Charles B. Adams

Director

Office of Environmental Design

cc: James D. Hade, RLA, Noise Abatement Team Leader, Office of Environmental
Design, State Highway Administration
Mr. Charlie K. Watkins, District Engineer, State Highway Administration

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bcc: Mr. Allen Jacobs, Project Manager, Noise Abatement Team, Office of Environmental
Design, State Highway Administration
Ms. Nicole Ross, Special Assistant to the Director, Office of Environmental Design, State
Highway Administration
Ms. Nanette M. Schieke, State Legislative Officer, Maryland Department of
Transportation
Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration

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Neil J. Pedersen, *Administrator*

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

September 23, 2003

The Honorable Brian E. Frosh
The Honorable William A. Bronrott
The Honorable Marilyn Goldwater
The Honorable Susan C. Lee
Sixteenth District Delegation
James Senate Office Building
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Senator Frosh and Delegates Bronrott, Goldwater, and Lee:

Thank you for your letter to Mr. Charles B. Adams, our Director of Environmental Design, on behalf of your constituent, Mr. Gregory V. Haledjian. Mr. Haledjian lives in the Grosvenor Park community along the westbound I-270 East Spur, just west of I-495, in Montgomery County, and is concerned about highway noise. I appreciate the opportunity to respond to your inquiry.

The pedestrian bridge that spans the I-270 East Spur, near the eastern end of the recently completed State Highway Administration (SHA) sound barrier for the Wildwood Manor community, was not an SHA project, but was funded by Montgomery County. Because this bridge does not carry vehicular traffic, there would be no noise issues associated with it and, therefore, no follow-up noise analysis is warranted.

Noise-level data were generated during the original environmental analysis for the median lane additions to the I-270 Spur adjacent to Mr. Haledjian's community, and we are pleased to share them with you. The noise receptor site in the 1988 environmental analysis, which was closest to Mr. Haledjian's home, was located at 5477 Groveridge Way. The measured noise level was 62 decibels. Based on the computer model and traffic conditions at that time, the highest noise level of the day was predicted to be 65 decibels. In the design year 2010, the noise level was predicted to be 69 decibels if the improvements were not made. If the improvements were constructed, the noise levels were predicted to be 70 decibels. Because the difference between the "build" and "no-build" noise levels was only one decibel, noise abatement was not warranted. The State's Sound Barrier Policy requires that this difference be at least 3 decibels, before noise abatement will be considered. The improvements to the I-270 East Spur were completed and opened to traffic in 1993/1994 and added a single lane in each direction in the median. The result was a six-lane roadway with three lanes in each direction.

Mr. Haledjian asked if SHA could provide current decibel levels during various times and weather conditions. SHA does not typically perform follow-up noise-level testing purely for informational purposes. Since the Grosvenor Park community is not eligible for a Type II sound barrier, the taking of measurements may also raise expectations that could not be met.

My telephone number/toll-free number is 410-545-0400 or 1-800-206-0770

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"Jake" braking and similar highway sounds, such as emergency sirens, are considered to be of momentary duration. Were Mr. Haledjian's residence behind a sound barrier, the barrier would not eliminate such sounds. Barriers only reduce the overall level of highway traffic noise, so that it becomes a less dominant feature of the soundscape.

Since high noise levels from commercial trucks (such as "jake" braking), are issues of regulatory enforcement, the Maryland State Police (MSP) Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division has jurisdiction over this issue. Mr. Haledjian's concerns will be forwarded to MSP's Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division at Suite 901, 901 Elkridge Landing Road, Linthicum Heights MD 21090-2919. If Mr. Haledjian would like to discuss his concerns, he may reach that division at 410-694-6100.

Thank you again for your letter and your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Nicole Ross, of our Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962, or nross@sha.state.md.us. She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should never hesitate to contact me directly, if you prefer.

Sincerely,

Neil J. Pedersen

Neil J. Pedersen
Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, SHA
Mr. Gregory V. Haledjian
Ms. Nicole Ross, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, SHA
Mr. Charlie K. Watkins, District Engineer, SHA

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Responding to letter dated: Follow-up to 08-26-2003 from the District 16 delegation (Sen. Frosh, Dels. Bronrott, Goldwater and Lee) on behalf of Mr. Gregory V. Haledjian, 10503 Englishman Drive, Rockville MD 20852-4660; the delegation forwarded a copy of Mr. Haledjian's 05-02-2003 e-mail message to "barrier," OED's 05-16-2003 response to that e-mail and his 08-19-2003 letter to Mr. Charles B. Adams requesting reconsideration for a barrier because the pedestrian bridge (a MO Co project, not SHA) is a highway improvement and noise level measurements should have been taken; he also requested current noise level measurements "at various times and weather conditions at [his] home"

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SENATOR BRIAN E. FROSH
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THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
SIXTEENTH DISTRICT DELEGATION

August 26, 2003

Mr. Charles Adams
Director, Environmental Design
SHA
707 No. Calvert Street
Baltimore, MD 21202

Dear Charlie:

We have received the enclosed email and related correspondence from our constituent, Mr. Gregory Haledjian. Would you please look into this matter and provide us with a complete report.

We appreciate your assistance with this constituent concern. Best regards.

Sincerely,

Brian E. Frosh

William A. Bronrott

Marilyn Goldwater

Susan C. Lee

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Enclosure

8/27/03
Noise Team -
Please Draft a
reply.
Thanks,
Irene
P.S. Charlie has a
copy

GREGORY V. HALEDJIAN
10503 ENGLISHMAN DRIVE
ROCKVILLE, MD 20852-4660
(301) 564-3109

August 19, 2003

Mr. Charles B. Adams
Director, Office of Environmental Design
Maryland State Highway Administration
707 North Calvert Street
Baltimore, MD 21202

Dear Mr. Adams,

I received your letter dated May 16, 2003 in response to my e-mail inquiry regarding excessive highway traffic noise due to the newly constructed sound barrier along the I-270 East Spur from the newly constructed pedestrian bridge near Fleming Drive to just east of Old Georgetown Road in Montgomery County.

I understand the rationale behind why my community (the Grosvenor Park Townhouse Condominiums) cannot be automatically be considered for a Type II sound barrier. I also understand your statement that a change in noise levels must be at least 3 decibels in order to be perceived by the human ear. You said, "industry experience and research has shown that the contribution of reflected noise in this situation is limited to 1 to 1.5 decibels or less." In addition, the brochure you provided said that the State Highway Administration would determine whether noise levels would equal or exceed 66 decibels as a result of the planned improvements (the pedestrian bridge).

However, you did not provide in your letter any actual data that demonstrates what the decibel levels were before this sound barrier was constructed and what the decibel levels are now. I live very close to where the pedestrian bridge crosses I-270. Could you please provide, at a minimum, the current decibel levels during various times and weather conditions at my home? For example, rush hour is a time when the tractor-trailers "jack brake" and make tremendous noise that my wife, my 6-month-old daughter and I can easily hear inside my home. Any assistance with this matter would be sincerely appreciated.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you.

Respectfully yours,


Gregory V. Haledjian

cc: The Honorable William A. Bronrott, Member, Maryland House of Delegates
The Honorable Howard A. Denis, Member, Montgomery County Council
The Honorable Brian E. Frosh, Member, Senate of Maryland
The Honorable Marilyn R. Goldwater, Member, Maryland House of Delegates
The Honorable Susan C. Lee, Member, Maryland House of Delegates
The Honorable Christopher Van Hollen, Jr., Member, United States House of Representatives
Ms. Nicole Ross, Special Asst. to the Director, Office of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
Mr. Charlie K. Watkins, District Engineer, State Highway Administration
Ms. Elizabeth Dunc, President, Grosvenor Park Townhouse Condominium Association



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Neil J. Pedersen, Deputy Secretary

MD STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

May 16, 2003

Mr. Gregory V. Haledjian
10503 Englishman Drive
Rockville MD 20852-4660

Dear Mr. Haledjian:

This letter is a follow-up to your recent e-mail message regarding highway traffic noise and the recently completed sound barrier constructed for the Wildwood Manor community, located along the eastbound I-270 East Spur from just east of Old Georgetown Road to the newly constructed pedestrian bridge over the I-270 East Spur near Fleming Drive in Montgomery County. I appreciate the opportunity to respond to your inquiry.

The sound barrier recently constructed adjacent to the Wildwood Manor community was built under the State Highway Administration's (SHA) Type II, or "retrofit," portion of its Sound Barrier Program. This portion of the program addresses areas of noise impact for communities that predate the construction of the highway. Enclosed, for your information, is a copy of our brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*, that outlines the State's Sound Barrier Policy. SHA has evaluated the Grosvenor Park community, located along the westbound I-270 East Spur from Grosvenor Lane to the end of Englishman Drive, for a Type II sound barrier. The results of that evaluation determined that the majority of the homes in the Grosvenor Park community were constructed in the mid-1980s after the 1964 opening of the I-270 East Spur. Based on this information, the Grosvenor Park community cannot be considered for a Type II sound barrier because it postdates the I-270 East Spur.

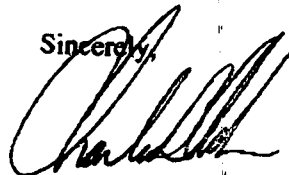
You stated: "With the sound barrier located only on one side of a residential neighborhood, the significant traffic noise from I-270 has dramatically increased inside my home since the sound barrier went up only on the West side."

The degree to which noise reflecting from the barrier would contribute to the overall noise at your home would be negligible. For a change in the noise level to be perceived by the human ear, noise increases (or decreases) must be at least 3-decibels. Because sound, or noise, is energy and diminishes over distance, sound waves that travel to the barrier, reflect, and then travel back across the highway to a home are significantly reduced in intensity compared to the sound that emanates directly from the highway. These less-intense reflected sound waves contribute very little to the overall noise coming directly from the highway. Industry experience and research has shown that the contribution of reflected noise in this situation is limited to 1 to 1.5-decibels or less.

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Thank you for your e-mail message and interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Nicole Ross, of our staff, at 410-545-8616 or 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at nross@sha.state.md.us. She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,



Charles B. Adams
Director
Office of Environmental Design

Enclosure

cc:

The Honorable William A. Bronrott, Member, Maryland House of Delegates
The Honorable Howard A. Denis, Member, Montgomery County Council
The Honorable Brian E. Frosh, Member, Senate of Maryland
The Honorable Marilyn R. Goldwater, Member, Maryland House of Delegates
The Honorable Susan C. Lee, Member, Maryland House of Delegates
Ms. Nicole Ross, Special Assistant to the Director, Office of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
Mr. Charlie K. Watkins, District Engineer, State Highway Administration

Greg Haledjian

From: "Greg Haledjian" <gvalledjian@yahoo.com>
To: <ghaledjian@comcast.net>
Sent: Sunday, May 18, 2003 1:04 PM
Subject: Fwd: I-270 Below Old Georgetown Road

--- Greg Haledjian <gvalledjian@yahoo.com> wrote:

> Date: Fri, 2 May 2003 12:01:27 -0700 (PDT)
> From: Greg Haledjian <gvalledjian@yahoo.com>
> Subject: I-270 Below Old Georgetown Road
> To: barrier@dm.state.md.us
>
> Hi,
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> I am a home owner in the Grosvenor Park Townhome
> community in Rockville/North Bethesda. I live right
> across from the new pedestrian bridge that crosses
> over I-270 from Wildwood Manor. I recently noticed
> that the West side of I-270 (the Wildwood Manor
> side)
> has a new sound barrier. Will my side, the East
> side,
> also get a new sound barrier soon?
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> With the sound barrier located on only one side of a
> residential neighborhood, the significant traffic
> noise from I-270 has dramatically increased inside
> my
> home since the sound barrier went up only on the
> West
> side. I have a 10-week old newborn and the traffic
> noise from I-270 often startles her.
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> I look forward to your response. Thank you.

> Sincerely,

> Greg Haledjian
> 301/564-3109

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Deputy Secretary

March 17, 2003

The Honorable Brian E. Frosh
The Honorable William A. Bronrott
The Honorable Marilyn R. Goldwater
The Honorable Susan C. Lee
Sixteenth District Delegation
Maryland General Assembly
Miller Senate Building
11 Bladen Street
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Senator Frosh and Delegates Bronrott, Goldwater, and Lee:

Thank you for your letter to Deputy Secretary Trent M. Kittleman on behalf of your constituents in the Carderock Springs South, Congressional Country Club Estates, and Evergreen communities, who are requesting sound barriers to protect them from highway noise. These communities are located along the inner loop of I-495, just north and south of Persimmon Tree Road, in Montgomery County. I appreciate the opportunity to respond to their concerns and to update you on this issue.

Using the guidelines adapted in 1986, these communities were among a group that were found not to be eligible for noise abatement, when environmental studies were conducted as part of the 1991 project to widen I-495. This finding was based on the fact that a sound barrier would have exceeded the State's maximum allowable cost per residence. The affected communities formed an organization called "Citizens Against Beltway Noise" (CABN) to seek relief and initiate legal action against the State. An agreement was reached between the State Highway Administration (SHA) and CABN in 1990, under which the State would agree to fund the maximum allowable amount (which was then \$40,000 per impacted and benefited residence), and the communities would fund the balance of the barrier costs. Only two communities (Arrowood and Thornley Court) agreed, and barriers were constructed for them. Under this arrangement, Montgomery County fronted the community's share of the cost. A special tax district was created to secure the homeowners' repayment to the County of this amount.

My telephone number is 410-865-1000
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7201 Corporate Center Drive, Hanover, Maryland 21076

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In 1999, the Carderock Springs community approached the Maryland Department of Transportation and SHA for relief from highway traffic noise. Former Secretary of Transportation John D. Porcari agreed to re-extend the original offer to the other original communities in the 1990 CABN agreement. Under Mr. Porcari's offer, the State would pay up to the \$40,000 maximum cost-per-residence that it spent on the barriers for Arrowood and Thornley Court. Four communities from the original CABN consortium—Carderock Springs, Carderock Springs South, Evergreen, and Al Marah—showed some level of interest in this offer, though a commitment has not been finalized.

The SHA's analysis of the cost of a sound barrier for the Carderock Springs South and Evergreen communities has been completed, and this information has been transmitted to officials at Montgomery County. The County determined that it would need additional information from SHA regarding the potential cost exposure for a number of communities, in addition to Carderock Springs South, along this section of I-495 before it would address the funding of a barrier for any single community. This information has been developed, and Montgomery County is prepared to meet with the Carderock Springs South and Evergreen communities to discuss how to proceed. This discussion would include how to fund the communities' share of the cost of the sound barriers. Mr. Edgar Gonzalez, Deputy Director of Transportation Policy for the County's Department of Public Works and Transportation, will contact the Carderock Springs South and Evergreen communities to arrange a meeting between them and representatives of the County and SHA.

Funding issues also must be resolved at the State level for these projects to move forward. Given the current economic situation, no funds are presently available for new sound barrier construction through FY 2008. I regret that it is impossible to predict what the future will be with respect to sound barrier funding. Each year, when our six-year capital program is updated, funding for sound barriers is examined. If the Carderock Springs South and Evergreen communities can resolve their funding issues with Montgomery County, they would be in line for future State funding when it becomes available.

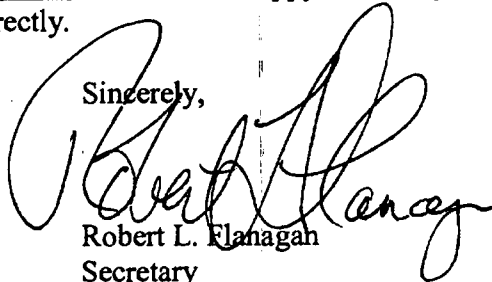
Representatives of SHA's Office of Environmental Design would be happy to meet with representatives of the Congressional Country Club Estates community, which includes Carlyn Drive, to review what the last environmental document showed and to go over the details of the offer. Should the community agree in principle to the offer, based on this older data, SHA could move ahead with a barrier analysis to determine a more accurate and current estimate of what the costs would likely be.

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Thank you again for your letter and your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Charles B. Adams, SHA's Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8640, 1-800-446-5962, or cadams@sha.state.md.us. He will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should never hesitate to contact me directly.

Sincerely,



Robert L. Flanagan
Secretary

cc: Ms. Sheila Duncan-Peters
Ms. Jan Evans
Mr. Bob Giannasi
Ms. Mary Griffin
Mr. Edgar A. Gonzales, Deputy Director of Transportation Policy, Montgomery County
Department of Public Works and Transportation
Mr. Peter J. Klein
Ms. Stephanie B. Klein
Ms. Karen Scheinberg
Mr. Martin J. Scheinberg
Ms. Hadassah N. Thursz
Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, SHA
Mr. Neil J. Pedersen, Acting Administrator, SHA

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Responding to letter dated: Follow-up to 02-05-2003 letter from the District 16 Delegation (Sen. Frosh and Dels. Bronrott, Goldwater and Lee) to Mr. Charles Adams, on behalf of their constituents in the Carderock Springs South, Congressional Country Club Estates and Evergreen communities regarding the status of the sound barrier for the community; the delegations asked Mr. Adams to look into this situation and to report back to them

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February 10, 2003

DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION

Mr. Trent Kettleman
Acting Secretary-MDOT
PO Box 8755
BWI Airport
Baltimore, MD 21240-0755

Dear Mr. Kettleman:

We have received the enclosed correspondence from a number of our constituents. They are very concerned regarding a proposed widening of the Beltway and no plans for noise abatement structures. We, too, are concerned about the quality of life issues that the proposal raises. Would you please look into this matter and provide us with a prompt report.

We appreciate your assistance with this constituent concern.

Sincerely,

Brian E. Frosh
Brian E. Frosh

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Susan C. Lee
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**The Honorable Brian Frosh
Senator 16th District Delegation
202 James Senate Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401**

Bethesda, February 6, 2003

Dear Senator Frosh:

We ask for your urgent help concerning the widening of I-495 between the American Legion Bridge and the I-270 Spur. As far back as April 2002, our Carderock Springs South Community on the inner loop has been seeking assistance from Legislative District 16 officials on the need for sound barriers along the proposed expansion segment of I-495. Our efforts in this regard evaporated due to lack of follow-up by these officials. Neither are we aware if the state highway office briefed you or your staff on subject matters.

The State of Maryland authorized a sound test and concluded that our neighborhood suffers from exceedingly high noise levels and that we would qualify for sound barriers. In March of 2001 State Highway and Montgomery County representatives held a community meeting and promised to draft a letter to the Montgomery County Department of Public Works and Transportation stating project cost and seeking help for subsidizing this project. A promise on their part to get back to us within six months has by now, almost two years later, not been kept. Numerous phone calls by the Volunteer Coordinator for the Carderock Springs South Community to obtain relevant information have been an exercise in futility.

Recently, the Montgomery County Council has asked the Public Planning Department to convene a February 20 Public Hearing to widen I-495 from the bridge to I-270 in order to accommodate HOV lanes. Needless to say that residents in the affected area became outraged when they learned about the county's plan to amend the Master Plan while these residents are still waiting for state officials to get back to them regarding the sound barrier issue. Approval of the Master Plan without taking into consideration the sound barriers as an integral part of the amendment will lead to a serious reduction of our property values.

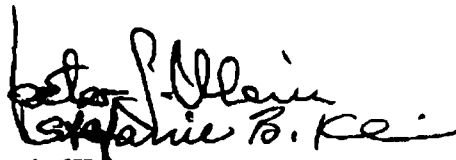
Dear Senator Frosh, concerning the sound barrier issue we feel ill represented and neglected by the County and the State. We believe it to be imperative that state officials attend the upcoming hearing on February 20, which is called by representatives from the Montgomery County Department of Parks and Planning. All we are asking for, is the state to get back to us as promised two years ago, so that the process of constructing the sound barriers may move forward without any further delay and cost increases.

Your kind and timely assistance in this matter will be viewed with gratitude.

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Sincerely,



Peter & Stephanie Klein
8314 Tomlinson Avenue
Bethesda, MD 20817-4416

Tel: 301-229-6594 e-mail: pjsbklein@msn.com
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cc: Delegate William Broarott ←
Delegate Marilyn Goldwater
Delegate Susan Lee

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Hadassah N. Thursz
8605 Carlynn Drive
Bethesda, Md. 20817

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February 6, 2003

Delegate Marilyn Goldwater
221 Lowe House Office Building
Annapolis, Md.

Dear Delegate Goldwater,

I am writing to you to express my deep concern over the proposed widening of the Beltway from River Road to the American Legion Bridge and my equally deep concern over the off-hand and dismissive way the Park and Planning Board has treated the affected homeowners. My property backs onto the beltway and neither I nor any of my neighbors received notice of a public meeting that was held on January 27, 2003. Nor was the Persimmon Tree Homeowners Association notified of the meeting. I am told by people who were at the meeting that the planners were not even aware that there was such an Association.

I have been living in this house since September 1977. At that time there was much less traffic on the beltway and noise was not a problem. Since then the beltway was widened, many trees which served as a sound buffer were removed, and traffic has increased enormously. The noise level at all hours of the day and night is above the supposed acceptable limit. Adding more lanes to accomodate even more traffic will make the problem that much worse. And as far as I know, not only have all requests for sound barrier walls have been denied but they are not even in the current proposed plan.

Add to this concerns about property values and you can understand that homeowners here are upset. I would think that it would make a lot more sense to build an outer beltway and another bridge further out where houses are being built by the dozens and all those people have to come down Route 270 to get to Virginia. That outer bridge would take a lot of the stress off the American Legion Bridge.

I hope you can convince Park and Planning to reconsider this plan and to treat homeowners with the respect we deserve.

Sincerely
Hadassah N. Thursz
Hadassah N. Thursz

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Subj: **FW: Beltway widening**
 Date: 2/10/2003 10:06:42 AM Eastern Standard Time
 From: *william_bronrott@house.state.md.us (Delegate William Bronrott)*
 Reply-to: *william_bronrott@house.state.md.us*
 To: *Silverpc@aol.com ('Leslie Silver')*

-----Original Message-----

From: BabeKS@aol.com [mailto:BabeKS@aol.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 08, 2003 1:26 PM
To: william_bronrott@house.state.md.us
Cc: nweissberg@weissbergcorp.com
Subject: Beltway widening

Dear Delegate Bronrott:

I am writing to voice our strenuous objection to the county's proposed plan to widen the Beltway, yet again, to add HOV lanes from the American Legion Bridge to 270 without including sound barriers in the plan. We are Montgomery County residents who have been begging the state and the county for sound barriers for at least 10 years with no success. Our taxes keep going up and yet our calls for help always fall on deaf ears. Where is our representation in this county? We would respectfully request that you attend the public meeting on 2/20 so that you can personally hear our concerns and help us in this process.

Thank you for giving this matter your immediate attention.

Karen and Martin Scheinberg
 7913 Cypress Grove Lane
 Cabin John, Maryland 20818

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 From: "Delegate William Bronrott" <william_bronrott@house.state.md.us>
 To: "'Leslie Silver'" <Silverpc@aol.com>
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Subj: **FW: Need for Beltway Sound Barriers in Carderock-Cabin John area**
 Date: 2/10/2003 10:06:56 AM Eastern Standard Time
 From: william_bronrott@house.state.md.us (Delegate William Bronrott)
 Reply-to: william_bronrott@house.state.md.us
 To: Silverpc@aol.com ('Leslie Silver')

-----Original Message-----

From: Robert Giannasi [<mailto:RGiannasi@msn.com>]
Sent: Saturday, February 08, 2003 10:23 AM
To: councilmember.Denis@co.mo.md.us; frosh_@senate.state.md.us; william_bronrott@house.state.md.us; marilyn_goldwater@house.state.md.us; susan_lee@house.state.ms.us; Sally
Cc: wipeout2200@aol.com; nweissberg@weissbergcorp.com
Subject: Need for Beltway Sound Barriers in Carderock-Cabin John area

We ask your help in getting sound barriers to mute traffic noise in the Carderock-Cabin John area of the Maryland Beltway. As homeowners in that area, we suffer from the failure of officials to meet their commitment to erect sound barriers around the inner loop as it abuts the Carderock Springs South Community. Now, we understand that the Montgomery County Park and Planning Commission is considering altering the Master Plan to widen the Beltway in our area, without providing for sound barriers. We protest. We need your intervention not only to stop efforts to widen the Beltway, but also to erect sound barriers in our area NOW. HELP!

Bob Giannasi and Mary Griffin

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Correspondence Details**Case ID: 11148 Frosh, Brian E.**

Case ID: 11148
Constituent: Frosh, Brian E.
Address: 202 James Senate Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401-1991
Document Date: 02/10/2003
Bar Code:
Corr. Type: In
Confidential: No
Subject: SHA-General
Stand on issue: Con
How corr. was received: US Postal Mail
Tone of letter: Complaint
Current Owner: Helene, Irene
Date Assigned: 02/20/2003
Deadline Date: 02/27/2003
Date Closed:
Respond On Behalf Of: Prepare Response For Secretary's Signature
External Code:
Comments: Concerns regarding the widening of the Beltway and no plans for
noise abatement structures.

SENATOR BRIAN E. FROSH
DELEGATE WILLIAM A. BRONROTT
DELEGATE MARILYN GOLDWATER
DELEGATE SUSAN C. LEE

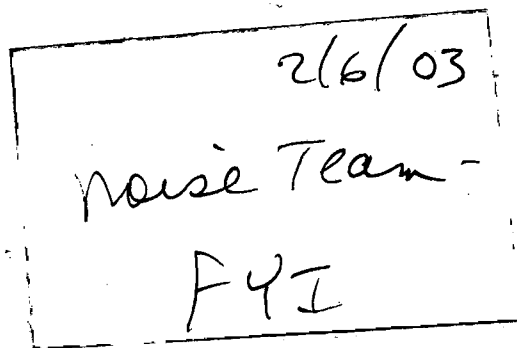


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THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
SIXTEENTH DISTRICT DELEGATION

February 5, 2003

Mr. Charles B. Adams
Director-Environmental Design Office
Room C-303
SHA
707 N. Calvert Street
Baltimore, MD 20201



Dear Charlie:

We have received the enclosed email from our constituents living in the Carderock Springs South community. They are very concerned that procedures to fund the noise barrier in their area have not moved forward; a letter was to be sent in 2001 to County DPWT regarding costs and funding. The community has received no response from SHA on the status of the process. Would you please look into this matter and provide us with a prompt report.

We appreciate your assistance with this constituent concern. Best regards.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Brian".

Brian E. Frosh

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Bill".

William A. Bronrott

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Marilyn".

Marilyn Goldwater

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Susan".

Susan C. Lee

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Enclosure

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Delegate William Bronrott

From: Wipeout220@aol.com
Sent: Monday, February 03, 2003 9:59 PM
To: frosh_@senate.state.md.us
Cc: william_bronrott@house.state.md.us; marilyn_goldwater@house.state.md.us;
susan_lee@house.state.md.us
Subject: Carderock Springs South-inner-loop/Community letter

Senator Brian Frosh
16th District Delegation
202 James Senate Office Building
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
2/3/03

Dear Senator Frosh:

It has been a while since voters in my community and surrounding areas last wrote to you and your colleagues for help, but unfortunately the time has come again. My name is Jan Evans and I represent the Carderock Springs South Community on the inner loop. When we first wrote to our Legislative District 16 officials in 2000 we were seeking assistance in gaining sound barriers along I-495. I do not know if state highway officials have kept you briefed on these matters, but our project slowed to a halt in March 2001 due to the lack of follow-up by these officials.

Basically, the State commissioned a sound test and found that our community suffers from such high noise levels that it makes us eligible for sound barriers. In letters to the community, Secretary John Porcari offered the homeowners in this area a \$40,000 allowance for these barriers. In March of 2001 State Highway and Montgomery County officials, including Ms. Natalie Hardy, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, (Ms. Hardy has since left the department and has been replaced by Nicole Ross); Mr. Jim Hade/ASLA-Noise Abatement Team Leader; and Mr. Bob Simpson, Sr. Planning Specialist-Montgomery County Department of Public Works and Transportation, held a community meeting in which they outlined their next step: To draft a letter to the Montgomery County Director of Public Works and Transportation stating costs and asking for help in subsidizing this project. They said they would get back to us within six months. They didn't. It has been almost two years and despite numerous phone calls we are still waiting for the information to be presented to the community.

In the meantime, to make matters worse, the Montgomery County Council has now asked the Park and Public Planning Department to hold a February-20th Public Hearing to widen I-495 from the American Legion Bridge to I-270 to allow for HOV lanes. I am sure you and your colleagues can only imagine the outrage of the residents in these surrounding areas when they discovered the county's plan to amend the Master Plan while we are still waiting for state officials to get back to us regarding sound barriers. If this Master Plan amendment, which is basically a wish list for the county, is approved without sound barriers being part of the amendment, all of our homes will suffer a drastic reduction in value.

Senator Frosh, at this time we feel neglected and ill represented by the county and the state. We did request at the January 27th community meeting held by representatives from the Montgomery County Department of Park and Planning, that state officials be present at the upcoming public hearing on February 20th. I know this is short notice, but I am hoping you will find the time to look into this matter.

Bottom line, all we are asking for, is for the state to get back to us as

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promised two years ago, so that the process of the building of the sound barriers may proceed without any further time delay and more cost increases.

Thank you in advance for your help with this matter.

Sincerely,

Jan Evans
Volunteer Coordinator for the Carderock Springs South (Inner Loop) Community
8309 Tomlinson Ave.
Bethesda, Md. 20817

H) 301 229-0092

C) 301 873-3596

cc: Delegate William Bronrott
Delegate Marilyn Goldwater
Delegate Susan Lee

SENATOR BRIAN E. FROSH
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THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
SIXTEENTH DISTRICT DELEGATION

January 24, 2003

Mr. Charlie Adams
Director-Environmental Design
707 N. Calvert Street
Room C303
Baltimore, MD 21202

Dear Charlie:

We have received a call from our constituent, Sheila Duncan Peters, regarding the proposed widening of the Beltway in her neighborhood to accommodate 2 HOV lanes. She and her neighbors are concerned about increased road noise and the need for noise abatement plans. In addition, Ms Peters advises that the neighborhood was told that the Master Plan did not include a provision for such an expansion. Would you please look into this matter and provide us with a prompt report.

We appreciate your assistance with this constituent concern. Best regards.

Sincerely,

Brian E. Frosh

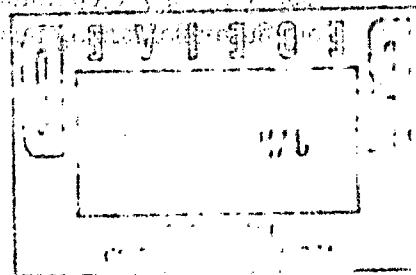
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Noise Team -
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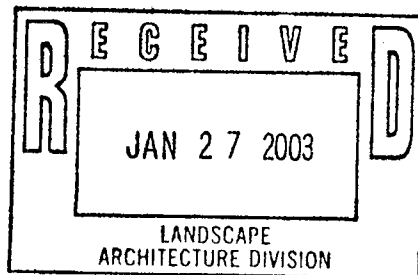
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original. Irene

Jim:

This should go to
Project Planning for
response.

Charlie



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STREET#	STREET NAME		COUNTY	CITY (Post office)	ZIPCODE	Representative statu	
8309	Tomlinson Avenue		MO	Bethesda	20817-4415	community repre	
Elected Official whom has communicated directly to us on this custome							Find Next
DAY PHONE		HOME PHONE		E-Mail address		COMMUNITY	
W: 301-873-3596		301-229-0092		wipeout220@aol.co		Cabin John Community Association (Card	
Logical Project Limits			ROADWAY: I-495		BarrierName		
inner loop I-495 near Persimmon Tree Road							
RESPONSE				INQUIRY		2nd Contact	
Nicole wrote: Neil Pederson asked Charles Adams to contact Mrs. Evans ASAP. The County has not decided upon the costs of the barrier.				What is the current status of the CABN Agreement?		1=Natalie/ Nicole	
Last Contact		Researcher		Primary SHA Contact		Construction Projects	
01/31/2003				Jim			
FILE LOCATIO		OTHER		Current committmen			
Do we owe a letter?		Letter Commit due date		Reason Letter is Late		n/a	
LAST action		Letter signed date					
2-4-03 CBA wrote to Ms. Evans outlining current status of sound barrier situation - refer to electronic archive or correspondence file for text of letter							
Comments: This field can not be sorted or searched: OPPE or Hwy rep.current type 1 inf							
<p>05/2000 - EO's - Dist. 16 - Sen. Brian E. Frosh; Dels. William Bronrott; Marilyn Goldwater; Susan C. Lee; MO Cnd Howard A. Denis</p> <p>1-30-03 Nicole Ross wrote: Mrs. Evans phoned Neil Pederson; she said that no one has been responding to her phone calls (hasn't been receiving any answers). Neil met with Nicole Ross, Jim Hade & Charles Adams on 1-31-03 to discuss this issue. 8/7/02: Mrs. Evans spoke to Donna Austin and then to Nicole Ross (thru Charlie). Would like to know the status of the two proposals for Carderock N.&S communities; 1. Cost re-analysis based on recent bidding exp. 12. Working on internal/county briefing information 4-25-02 Ms. Evans e-mailed Jim; thanked him for contacting Mr. Raleigh Medley at D-3 regarding fallen tree; also provided updated day phone number corrected above. 4/22/02: Jan called Jim to request assistance on a tree that fell into her yard from SHA right of way, damaging the fence and other trees. Jim forwarded e-mail to Raleigh Medley 2/25/02: Jan called Jim: update: report nearing completion for Administrator's sig, then to County so that they can answer the communities funding distribution questions. The report is on my top priority list. 10/4/01 Ms. Evans called; wanted to speak w/NBH & JDH; wants update on Carderock Springs (South); been 6 months w/no info; neighbors are calling wanting to know situation 10/26/2000: no contact information recorded 8/17/2000 Jim returned call based on e-mail inquiry to Natalie from Evans. 07/06 - Ms. Evans would like to know schedule for the taking of noise measurements 05/16 - contacted NBH 05/17 - wants location map showing all CABN areas - Ms. Evans can be possible community contact 06/02 - NBH sent (via fax) second set of CABN area maps (per Ken Belack's OK)</p>							
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Owner Information

Owner Name: GIANNASI, ROBERT A & **Use:** RESIDENTIAL
Principal Residence: YES
Mailing Address: MARION L GRIFFIN
 7009 ENDICOTT CT
 BETHESDA MD 20817 - 4017 **Deed Reference:** 1) / 7781/ 645
 2)

Location & Structure Information

Premises Address 7009 ENDICOTT CT
 BETHESDA 20817 **Zoning** R90 **Legal Description** CARDEROCK SPRINGS

Map GN22	Grid	Parcel	Sub District	Subdivision 142	Section	Block S	Lot 78	Group 81	Plat No: Plat Ref:
Special Tax Areas			Town Ad Valorem Tax Class	38					
Primary Structure Built 1985			Enclosed Area 3,450 SF	Property Land Area 11,514.00 SF			County Use 111		
Stories 2		Basement YES		Type STANDARD UNIT			Exterior BRICK		

Value Information

	Base Value	Value As Of	Phase-in Assessments	
		01/01/2002	As Of	As Of
			07/01/2002	07/01/2003
Land:	153,020	203,020		
Improvements:	385,800	456,590		
Total:	538,820	659,610	579,083	619,346
Preferential Land:	0	0	0	0

Transfer Information

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Type: **Deed1:** **Deed2:**
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Type: **Deed1:** **Deed2:**

Exemption Information

Partial Exempt Assessments	Class	07/01/2002	07/01/2003
County	000	0	0
State	000	0	0
Municipal	000	0	0

Tax Exempt: NO
Exempt Class:

Special Tax Recapture:

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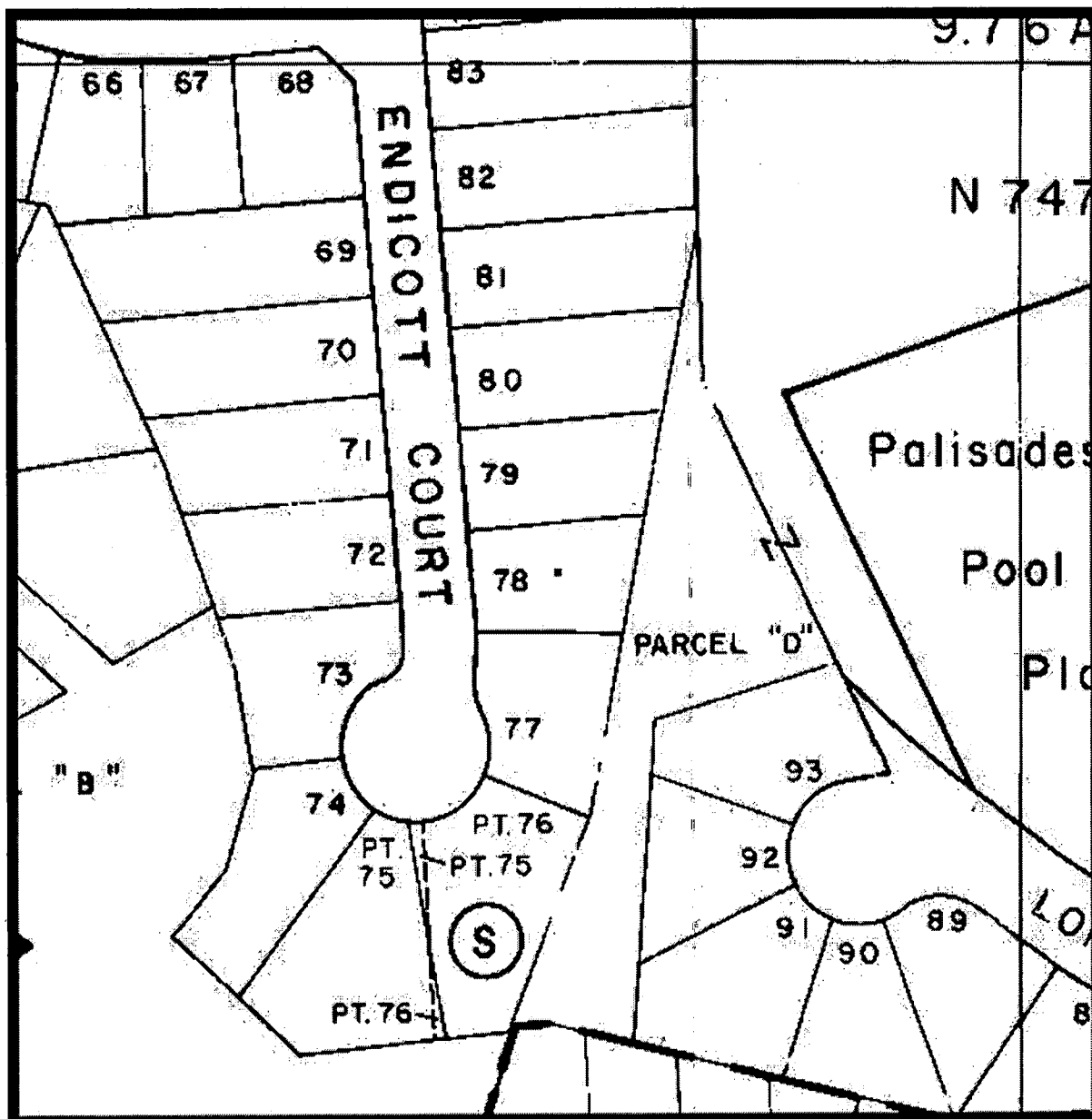
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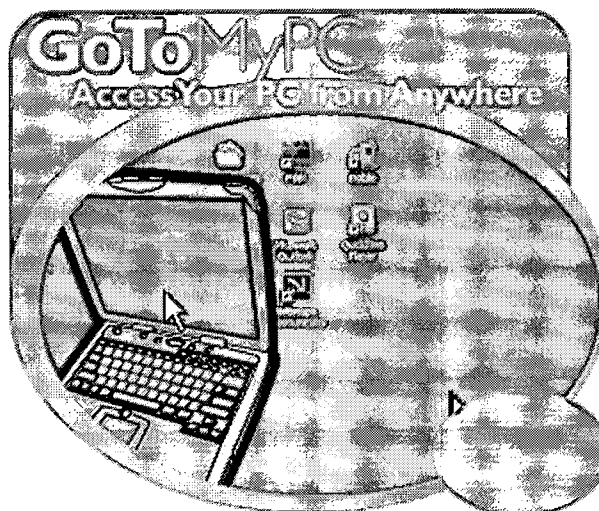
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Owner Information

Owner Name: KLEIN, PETER J & S B Use: RESIDENTIAL
Principal Residence: YES
Mailing Address: 8316 TOMLINSON AVENUE Deed Reference: 1) / 4832/ 588
BETHESDA MD 20817 2)

Location & Structure Information

Premises Address 8316 TOMLINSON AVE Zoning R200 Legal Description CARDEROCK SPRINGS
BETHESDA 20817

Map	Grid	Parcel	Sub District	Subdivision	Section	Block	Lot	Group	Plat No:
GN12				142		S	23	81	Plat Ref:
Special Tax Areas			Town Ad Valorem Tax Class	38					
Primary Structure Built			Enclosed Area		Property Land Area			County Use	
1968			1,560 SF		13,300.00 SF			111	
Stories		Basement		Type				Exterior	
1		YES		STANDARD UNIT				FRAME	

Value Information

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		Value As Of 01/01/2002	Value As Of 07/01/2002	Value As Of 07/01/2003
Land:	156,600	206,600		
Improvements:	189,940	221,900		
Total:	346,540	428,500	373,860	401,180
Preferential Land:	0	0	0	0

Transfer Information

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Exemption Information

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County	000	0	0
State	000	0	0
Municipal	000	0	0

Tax Exempt: NO
Exempt Class:

Special Tax Recapture:

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DAY PHONE	HOME PHONE	E-Mail address	COMMUNITY			
	301-229-6594		Cabin John Community Association (Card			
Logical Project Limits	ROADWAY	I-495	BarrierName			
inner loop I-495						
RESPONSE			INQUIRY		2nd Contact	
re-extending CABN agreement - comm to contact MO Co to create new tax district for \$ over \$40K			wants barrier on inner loop side of I-495 in Cardersock Springs			
			Last Contact	Researcher	Primary SHA Contact	
			04/17/2000		Natalie	Construction Projects
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		re-extend CABN agreement				
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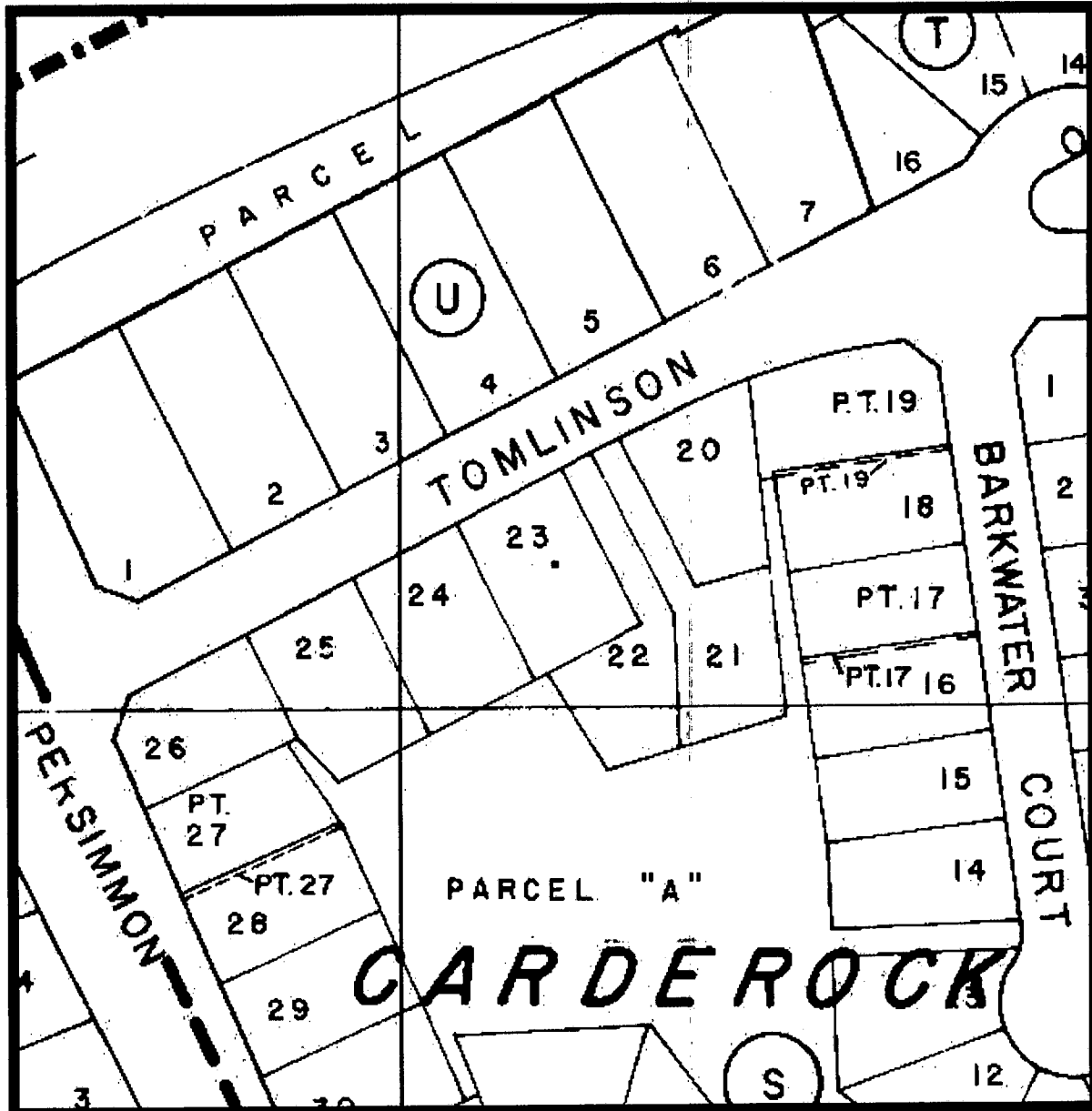
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Account Identifier: District - 07 Account Number - 01915963

Owner Information

Owner Name: SCHEINBERG, MARTIN S & K S Use: RESIDENTIAL
Principal Residence: YES
Mailing Address: 7913 CYPRESS GROVE LA Deed Reference: 1) / 8155/ 702
CABIN JOHN MD 20818 2)

Location & Structure Information

Premises Address Zoning Legal Description
7913 CYPRESS GROVE LA R200 EVERGREEN
CABIN JOHN 20818

Map	Grid	Parcel	Sub District	Subdivision	Section	Block	Lot	Group	Plat No:
GN22				502			3	81	Plat Ref:
Special Tax Areas			Town Ad Valorem Tax Class	38					
Primary Structure Built			Enclosed Area	Property Land Area			County Use		
1982			2,869 SF	15,847.00 SF			111		
Stories		Basement		Type			Exterior		
2		YES		STANDARD UNIT			FRAME		

Value Information

	Base Value	Value As Of 01/01/2002	Phase-in Assessments As Of 07/01/2002	As Of 07/01/2003
Land:	160,840	158,130		
Improvements:	249,390	310,710		
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Preferential Land:	0	0	0	0

Transfer Information

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Exemption Information

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County	000	0	0
State	000	0	0
Municipal	000	0	0

Tax Exempt: NO
Exempt Class:

Special Tax Recapture:

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Elected Official whom has communicated directly to us on this custome						Find Next
DAY PHONE	HOME PHONE	E-Mail address	COMMUNITY			
	301-229-7705		Cabin John Community Association (Everg			
Logical Project Limits	ROADWAY	I-495	BarrierName			
inner loop I-495 near Seven Lock Road						
RESPONSE			INQUIRY			2nd Contact
			wants sound barrier			
			Last Contact	Researcher	Primary SHA Contact	
			11/06/2000		Natalie	Construction Projects
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Do we owe a letter?	Letter Commit due date					
	Letter signed date		Reason Letter is Late n/a			
LAST action						
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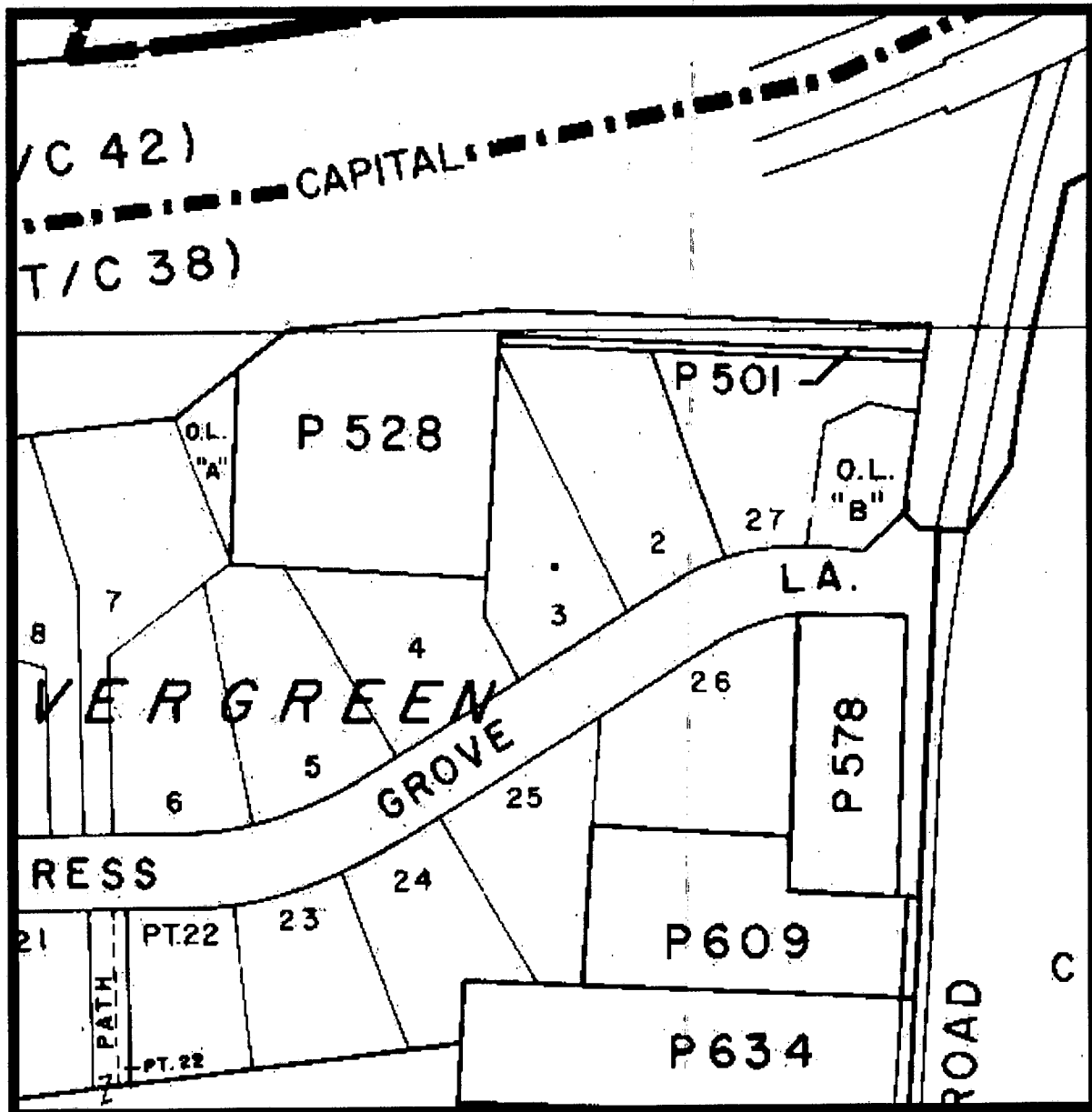
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Owner Information

Owner Name: THURSZ, HADASSAH N Use: RESIDENTIAL
Principal Residence: YES
Mailing Address: 8605 CARLYNN DRIVE Deed Reference: 1) /10291/ 379
BETHESDA MD 20817 2)

Location & Structure Information

Premises Address: 8605 CARLYNN DR Zoning: R200 Legal Description: CONGRESSIONAL COUNTR
BETHESDA 20817 Y CLUB ESTS 5033/570

Map	Grid	Parcel	Sub District	Subdivision	Section	Block	Lot	Group	Plat No:
GN11				144		B	44	81	Plat Ref:

Special Tax Areas	Town Ad Valorem Tax Class
	42

Primary Structure Built	Enclosed Area	Property Land Area	County Use
1977	2,740 SF	14,475.00 SF	111

Stories	Basement	Type	Exterior
2	YES	STANDARD UNIT	FRAME

Value Information

	Base Value	Value As Of 01/01/2002	Phase-in Assessments As Of 07/01/2002	As Of 07/01/2003
Land:	158,950	188,050		
Improvements:	276,190	297,280		
Total:	435,140	485,330	451,870	468,600
Preferential Land:	0	0	0	0

Transfer Information

Seller:	Date:	Price:
Type: NOT ARMS-LENGTH	04/08/1992	\$0
Seller:	Deed1: /10291/ 379	Deed2:
Type:	Date:	Price:
Seller:	Deed1:	Deed2:
Type:	Date:	Price:
Seller:	Deed1:	Deed2:

Exemption Information

Partial Exempt Assessments	Class	07/01/2002	07/01/2003
County	000	0	0
State	000	0	0
Municipal	000	0	0

Tax Exempt: NO
Exempt Class:

Special Tax Recapture:

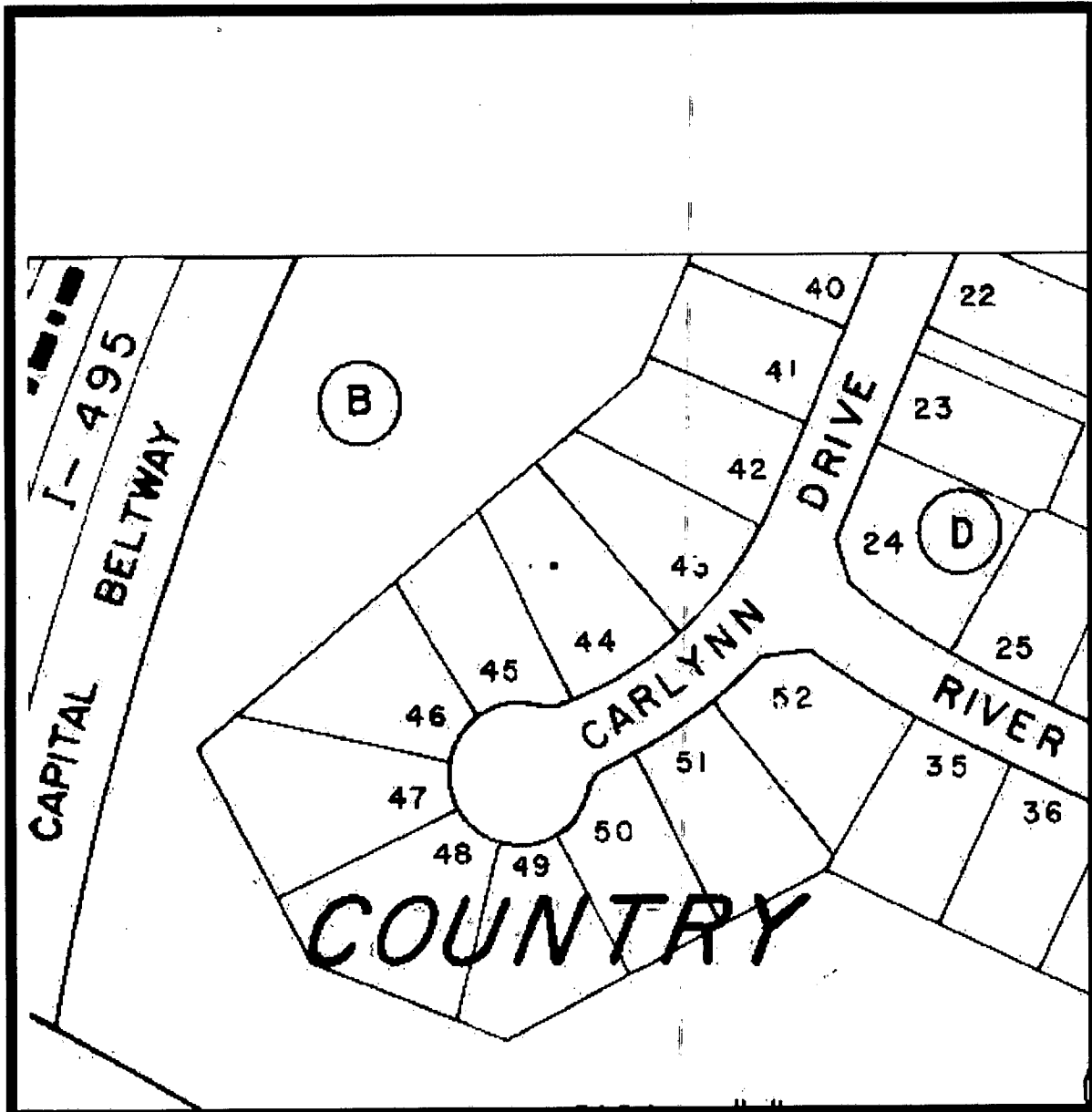
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From: JIM HADE
To: Sue RAJAN
Date: 2/10/03 3:46PM
Subject: Re: I-495 HOV letter

Sue:
Thanks! That is the letter that we are looking for a copy of.

We Look forward to its receipt.
Jim

>>> Sue RAJAN 02/10/03 03:39PM >>>
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Thank you
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Please call Ted Severe of my office at x8600, with an update if you can.

Thanks

James Hade, RLA
Team Leader for Noise Abatement
Ph 410-545-8599
Fx 410-209-5003

CC: TED SEVERE

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CC: TED SEVERE

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From: JIM HADE
To: TSevere
Date: 2/7/03 8:13AM
Subject: Fwd: Re: I-495 HOV letter

Ted:

Please follow up on this, and check again with Kim Booker on the location of the letter so that we can include a copy of that with our response.

Thanks
Jim

James Hade, RLA
Team Leader for Noise Abatement
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CC: NRoss

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From: Sue RAJAN
To: JHade@sha.state.md.us, KBooker@sha.state.md.us
Date: 2/6/03 9:51PM
Subject: Re: I-495 HOV letter

Jim,
I prepared response to that letter from the Delegation Monday. It should have gone to Neil by now. I will be in the office tomorrow.

Thank you
Sue

Sue Rajan
Project Manager
Project Planning Division
Maryland State Highway Administration
707 N. Calvert Street
Baltimore, MD 21202
Tel: 410-545-8514
Fax: 410-209-5004

>>> JIM HADE 02/06/03 13:50 PM >>>

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From: JIM HADE
To: Kim Booker
Date: 2/6/03 1:50PM
Subject: I-495 HOV letter

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CC: CYNTHIA SIMPSON; NICOLE ROSS; Sue RAJAN; TED SEVERE

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Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr., Governor • Michael S. Steele, Lt. Governor • Trent M. Kittleman, Acting Secretary

February 19, 2003

The Honorable Brian E. Frosh
The Honorable William A. Bronrott
The Honorable Marilyn Goldwater
The Honorable Susan C. Lee
Sixteenth District Delegation
The Maryland General Assembly
James Senate Office Building
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Senator Frosh and Delegates Bronrott, Goldwater, and Lee:

Thank you for your recent letter to Mr. Charles B. Adams of my staff regarding the concerns raised by one of your constituents, Ms. Sheila Duncan-Peters, about the widening of the Capital Beltway. We understand that Ms. Duncan-Peters is concerned about increased noise and the need for noise abatement measures associated with the proposed widening of the beltway to accommodate two High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes.

The State Highway Administration (SHA) is conducting a project planning study to address transportation problems along the Capital Beltway. The initial phase of this multi-modal study concluded that, since the congestion is so severe, a single transportation solution will not be sufficient to provide significant relief to the long-term traffic demand. Both rail and highway improvements were recommended for further study.

Several alternates are under consideration as part of the highway improvement study. These include a lane in each direction for HOVs and express bus service adjacent to the existing general-purpose lanes. In addition to the HOV/Busway alternatives, Transportation System Management (TSM) and Transportation Demand Management (TDM) options are also being considered. While TSM strategies look at facility improvements, such as striping, signing, and interchange reconstruction, which increase safety and enhance operations, TDM strategies focus on system demand and ways to influence driver behavior.

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The current master plan for the area does not include the widening of the Capital Beltway. We understand, however, that the County is in the process of amending the Master Plan of Highways for Montgomery County to include the widening of the Beltway to add HOV lanes from the American Legion Bridge to the I-270 West Spur. The Montgomery County Council has directed the Planning Board to consider this amendment. If you have any questions regarding the Master Plan of Highways for Montgomery County, please contact Mr. Alex Hekimian, Transportation Coordinator for the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, at 301-495-4531. He will be happy to assist you.

During the detailed study phase, environmental analysis, including noise studies, will be conducted, an environmental document will be prepared and public hearings will be held. The study team will be meeting with the communities in the area while developing detailed alternates. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the project, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Sue Rajan, SHA's Project Manager, at 410-545-8514, 1-800-548-5026 or, by e-mail, at srajan@sha.state.md.us. She will be happy to assist you.

Thank you again for your interest in this study and for your comments. If you have any questions, or if you need any additional information on the project, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Douglas H. Simmons, Director of Planning and Preliminary Engineering at 410-545-0414, 1-888-204-4828 or, by e-mail, at dsimmons@sha.state.md.us. He will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should never hesitate to contact me directly, if you prefer.

Sincerely,



Neil J. Pedersen
Acting Administrator

cc: Mr. Charlie Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
Mr. Alex Hekimian, Transportation Coordinator, Maryland-National Capital Park
and Planning Commission
Mrs. R. Suseela Rajan, Project Manager, State Highway Administration
Mr. Douglas H. Simmons, Director of Planning and Preliminary Engineering, State
Highway Administration
Mr. Charlie K. Watkins, District Engineer, State Highway Administration

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bcc: Ms. Valerie Burnette Edgar, Director of Communications, State Highway Administration
James D. Hade, RLA, Noise Abatement Team Leader, State Highway Administration
Ms. Nicole Ross, Special Assistant to the Director, Office of Environmental Design, State
Highway Administration
Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration

Serial #: Unknown

OED Serial#: None

Noise Customer #: 2117

Responding to letter dated: NOTE: A signed copy of this 02-19-2003 letter was forwarded to
Mr. James Hade on 02-26-2003 for filing with the Noise Abatement Team's 2003
correspondence; there was no electronic copy provided and the letter was re-typed for the file;
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Neil J. Pedersen, Administrator

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

May 13, 2003

The Honorable Barbara A. Frush
Maryland House of Delegates
3019 Chapel View Drive
Beltsville MD 20705-3429

Dear Delegate ~~Frush~~: *Barbara*

This June, the State Highway Administration (SHA) will conduct *two* informational meetings regarding *three* sound barrier projects that will affect the Powder Mill Estates/Knollwood and Hollywood communities in Prince George's County. The three projects are:

- the proposed barrier along southbound I-95 just south of Cherry Hill Road (of interest to Powder Mill Estates);
- the proposed barrier adjacent to the ramp from southbound I-95 to westbound I-495 (of interest to Knollwood); and
- the extension of the sound barrier that currently runs adjacent to eastbound I-95/I495, toward the MARC/Metro tracks (of interest to Hollywood).

The meeting for the Powder Mill Estates and Knollwood communities is scheduled for Wednesday, June 11, 2003, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the Multi-Purpose Room/Cafeteria of the High Point High School, 3601 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville. The second meeting, for the Hollywood community, is scheduled for Wednesday, June 18, 2003 in the Multi-Purpose Room/Cafeteria of the Hollywood Elementary School, 9811 49th Avenue, in College Park. Before each of these meetings, displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

The purpose of each meeting is to discuss the proposed sound barriers and to seek concurrence on the construction of the barriers from at least 75 percent of the impacted property owners who would benefit from the barriers. We will distribute vote cards at each meeting to those impacted homeowners. Impacted property owners who are eligible to vote are those whose homes experience existing highway noise levels of 66 decibels or more.

My telephone number/toll-free number is **410-545-0400 or 1-800-206-0770**

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Property owners who are unable to attend these meetings will receive a summary of the meeting and copies of all materials distributed at the meeting approximately seven to ten days following the meetings. Voting cards will also be included for eligible, impacted property owners who were unable to attend the meetings.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns beforehand, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Nicole Ross, of our staff, at 410-545-8616 or 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at nross@sha.state.md.us. She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

Neil J. Pedersen

Neil J. Pedersen
Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, SHA
Ms. Nicole Ross, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, SHA

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bcc: Ms. Valerie Burnette Edgar, Director of Communications, State Highway Administration
James D. Hade, RLA, Noise Abatement Team Leader, State Highway Administration
Ms. Nanette M. Schieke, State Legislative Officer, Maryland Department of
Transportation
Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration
Mr. Charlie K. Watkins, District Engineer, State Highway Administration

Serial #: None

OED Serial#: None

Noise Customer #: 197, 1801, 1802 (Hollywood); 1238, 2014 (Knollwood); 271, 737, 2436
(Powder Mill Estates)

Responding to letter dated: Invitation to affected (both impacted and benefited) property owners to attend the SHA-hosted community informational meeting on 06-11-2003 at the High Point High School, 3601 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville, Maryland (Powder Mill Estates and Knollwood communities; Invitation to affected (both impacted and benefited) property owners to attend the SHA-hosted community informational meeting on 06-18-2003 at the Hollywood Elementary School, 9811 49th Avenue, College Park (Hollywood community)

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Neil J. Pedersen, *Administrator*

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

September 3, 2003

The Honorable Vincent J. Gardina
Baltimore County Council
400 Washington Avenue, Room 205
Towson MD 21204-4672

Dear Councilman Gardina:

This letter is an update on sound barrier projects for Baltimore County. Information was also recently provided to Baltimore County Executive James T. Smith, Jr., to aid Baltimore County in its budget deliberations.

The seven Baltimore County communities described below meet all of the State Highway Administration's (SHA) criteria for a Type II, or "retrofit," sound barrier. They are not funded for design or construction at this time. There are no funds available for new sound barrier projects through FY 2008. At such time as funding may become available for new projects, these projects would be eligible for funding, once Baltimore County commits to its share of their cost. The current cost estimates are:

<u>Highway</u>	<u>Community</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>	<u>County Cost Share</u>
I-695	Woodholme Avenue	\$2.0 million	\$439,000
I-83	Priceville	\$1.8 million	\$395,000
I-695	Ridge Grove/ Woodland Heights	\$6.3 million	\$1.38 million
I-195	Cedar Heights/ Richardson Mews/ Francis Avenue	\$5.8 million	\$1.27 million
MD 695	Oriole Avenue	\$1.5 million	\$329,000
MD 695	Chesaco Avenue	\$3.8 million	\$835,000
I-695	Greenlawn/ Windsor Park	\$2.5 million	\$551,000
Total:		\$23.7 million	\$5.199 million

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It may be helpful for you to know that, when barriers are considered for inclusion in our capital budget, they are prioritized—first, by the order in which each county's commitments for the local share have been received; and, second, by the age of the communities. Once SHA receives a commitment for any of these Baltimore County projects, it would be prioritized as described above.

The SHA looks forward to working with Baltimore County's representatives to provide barriers for these eligible communities. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Charles B. Adams, SHA's Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8640 or, by e-mail, at cadams@sha.state.md.us. He will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should never hesitate to contact me directly, if you prefer.

Sincerely,

Neil J. Pedersen

Neil J. Pedersen
Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, SHA
Mr. Edward C. Adams, Director, Baltimore County Department of Public Works
Patrick H. Roddy, Esq., Assistant County Attorney/Legislative Liaison, Office of the
County Attorney, Baltimore County
Mr. David J. Malkowski, District Engineer, SHA
The Honorable James T. Smith, Jr., Baltimore County Executive

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Ms. Nanette Schieke, State Legislative Officer, MDOT
Ms. Linda Singer, Community Liaison, SHA

Serial #: None

OED Serial#: None

Noise Customer #:

Responding to letter dated: Follow-up to 08-04-2003 letter to BA Co Exec. James T. Smith, Jr., from SHA Administrator Pedersen listing Type II barrier-eligible communities in Baltimore County that have not yet been agreed to be funded by the County; this information to also be provided to the Senators, Delegates and Baltimore County Council members whose districts include the listed communities

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

September 11, 2003

The Honorable John A. Giannetti, Jr.
Senate of Maryland
122 James Senate Office Building
110 College Avenue
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

The Honorable Barbara A. Frush
Maryland House of Delegates
3019 Chapel View Drive
Beltsville MD 20705-3429

The Honorable Pauline H. Menes
The Honorable Brian R. Moe
Maryland House of Delegates
210 Lowe House Office Building
84 College Avenue
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Senator Giannetti and Delegates Frush, Menes, and Moe:

This is a follow-up to the recent letter from your constituent, Mr. Ronald Rubin. He is concerned about the sound barrier for the Powder Mill Estates community, adjacent to southbound I-95 just south of Cherry Hill Road, in Montgomery County. I appreciate the opportunity to respond to his concerns.

The noise-level measurements that were taken in the Powder Mill Estates community were used to calibrate the computer model that, in turn, was used in our sound-barrier analysis for this community. While these measurements were being taken, traffic counts were also taken for use in the computer model. When this information was applied to the model, the model calibrated within accepted tolerances. The model also accounted for topography, existing structures (other homes and buildings in the study area), foliage, and many additional factors. The results show that highway noise levels at Mr. Rubin's home do not reach 66 decibels. This is the minimum level that would have to exist, before the State gives further consideration to a sound barrier under its Type II, or retrofit, program.

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The sound barrier, as designed, will protect the most severely impacted residences, which are located along Sellman Road. The majority of these residences are currently experiencing highway-traffic noise levels as high as 74 decibels. The barrier is designed to achieve a noise reduction of 7 to 10 decibels, and we predict that the homes on Sellman Road will experience an 8- to 13-decibel noise reduction. I have enclosed a copy of the proposed sound barrier plan and cross-sections. These were distributed at the informational community meeting conducted by the State Highway Administration (SHA) on June 11, 2003 at the High Point High School. This plan shows the location of the proposed sound barrier and the locations where noise measurements were taken. Construction of the sound barrier for the Powder Mill Estates community and the Knollwood community, along the ramp from southbound I-95 to westbound I-495, and the Hollywood community, along the inner loop of I-95/I-495 from the end of the existing sound barrier toward the MARC/Metro tracks in Prince George's County, is anticipated to begin by Spring 2004. Construction is anticipated to last approximately one year.

Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Charles B. Adams, our Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8640, 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at cadams@sha.state.md.us. He will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should not hesitate to contact me directly, if you prefer.

Sincerely,

Neil J. Pedersen

Neil J. Pedersen
Administrator

Enclosures

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, SHA
The Honorable Thomas E. Dernoga, Member, Prince George's County Council
The Honorable Paul S. Sarbanes, United States Senate
Mr. Charlie K. Watkins, District Engineer, SHA

The Honorable John A. Giannetti, Jr.
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bcc: Ms. Valerie Burnette Edgar, Director of Communications, SHA
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Mr. T.E. Severe, Administrative Assistant, Noise Abatement Team, SHA

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Noise Customer #: 2712

Responding to letter dated: Follow-up to 08-11-2003 letter from Mr. Rubin to Sen. Giannetti (also the other members of the District 21 delegation as well as PG Co Councilman Dernoga and Sen. Sarbanes) that was forwarded by FAX by Sen. Giannetti's aide, Aron Crouse; Mr. Rubin feels that the sound barrier proposed for the Powder Mill Estates community is inadequate, that "the *Final Powder Mill Estates Sound Barrier Analysis* is available and does ALMOST NOTHING to alleviate the problem"; he contends that the barrier stops short of where it needs to; he also contends that the "study was flawed from the outset" because "the study was done in the summer when the traffic is lighter (vacation time) and foliage blocks a portion of the noise" and the study was done between 9:30 am and 3:pm when the rush hour is not in effect"; Mr. Rubin's ultimate solution is to simply double the length of the proposed barrier past where Bornedale Drive, if extended, would intersect with I-95; he contends that his extension would benefit an additional 20 homes in the community

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Enclosure:

One copy of the *Plan* and *Cross-section* of the Powder Mill Estates handout from the 06-11-2003 community meeting held for the Powder Mill Estates and Knollwood communities at the High Point High School in Beltsville, MD.

NOTE: Same letter also sent to 122
 Del. Mens. Frush & Noe & Sen. Sarbanes
 & Councilman Derrons

~~Ignore~~ ~~* Response~~ letter sent. ASK

8/11/2003

+ contact Federal Highway
 Administration

[Points of Argument highlighted]

John A. Giannetti
 James Senate Office Building #122
 110 College Ave.
 Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. Giannetti:

I am writing to you for some assistance in what has become a rather problematic issue in our neighborhood of Powder Mill Estates. The issue of the future sound barrier. When we moved here many years ago, traffic from the Beltway and specifically I-95 South, were noticeable, but that was all. My neighbors and myself were actually able to spend time outdoors in our yards, have dinner on the deck, recreation, etc. That problem has multiplied over the years. Our quality of life is gone. Walk down our streets on a weekend, and you won't find anyone enjoying the outdoors because of the high traffic noise levels. Of course, it is worst during the rush hours of 5:00 A.M. to 9 A.M. and 3:00 P.M. and 7:00 P.M. The sound of truck airbrakes and deceleration makes it worse. Even with the windows closed the hum is quite apparent. We are quite frankly thinking of selling our home, although with today's prices, it will be difficult to find a replacement we can afford.

to about
 two

Several years ago we attended a community meeting regarding a sound barrier. All were given hope. Well that hope has been dashed by the latest plan.

The "Final Powder Mill Estates Sound Barrier Analysis Report" is available, and does ALMOST NOTHING to alleviate the problem. Specifically, the wall is stops short of where it needs to.

The proposed wall stops at the end of Sellman Rd. and directly benefits six (6) houses. It may indirectly benefit the nine other houses adjacent to and behind them. It does nothing to benefit all the other houses.

The study is flawed from the outset, in significant ways.

- A) The study was done in the summer when traffic is lighter (vacation time) and foliage blocks a portion of the noise.
- B) The study was done between 9:30 A.M. and 3 P.M. when the rush hour is not in effect.

When I stand in front of my house and face Southwest down Bomedale Dr, I can hear the traffic noise coming up the street in waves.

The solution may be simple, and benefit an added twenty houses. Double the length of the wall to continue on past where Bomedale Drive would potentially intersect at I-95. I certainly invite your response, and any help you may offer. Please feel free to come by and visit for a first hand earful (of traffic noise that is) and morning or afternoon

Truly,

Ronald A. Rubin

Ronald A. Rubin

CC:

Senator Paul Sarbanes, United States Senator, State of Maryland
Thomas E. Demoga, Member Prince Georges County Council
Barbara Frush, Member, Maryland House of Delegates
John Gianetti Jr, Member, Senate of Maryland
Pauline Menes, Member, Maryland House of Delegates
Brian Moe, Member, Maryland House of Delegates

10803 Bomedale Drive Adelphi, Maryland 20783

Nicole - Received from
Jim on 8/28/03.

Norse Team

Call Aron Crouse and follow-up
with a letter.

FAX

Date 8/26/03

Number of pages including cover sheet 4

TO:

Charlie Adams

Phone

Fax Phone

FROM:

Charlie K. Watkins
District Engineer

State Highway
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9300 Kenilworth Avenue
Greenbelt MD 20770

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1-800-749-0737

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301-474-5352

REMARKS:

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For your review

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Reply ASAP

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Please Comment

Aron Crouse, aide to Senator John Diannetti,
called about the attached correspondence.
Could someone give his aide a return
call back?

Aron Crouse
301-858-3141

Thanks,
Charlie

- Nicole - Left message for Aaron on 8/28. Only in office on Mon. + Fridays

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SENATE OF MARYLAND
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401-1991

District 21

Fax

Senator John A. Giannetti, Jr.
122 James Senate Office Building
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
301-858-3141/410-841-3141

To: Phyllis # pages: 3





Date: 8/25

Fax #: _____ Phone: _____

Message: letter from constituent
concerning sound barrier

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10803	Bornedale Drive		PG	Hyattsville	20783-1008	private	
Elected Official whom has communicated directly to us on this custome				Sen. Giannetti (Aron Crouse, Aide)			
DAY PHONE		HOME PHONE		E-Mail address		COMMUNITY	
		301-520-2221				Powder Mill Estates	
Logical Project Limits			ROADWAY: I-95		BarrierName Powder Mill Estates/knollwood/Hollywood Ext.		
SB I-95 just south of Cherry Hill Road							
RESPONSE				INQUIRY		2nd Contact	
His property sits too far back in the community; noise levels taken at 10801 Bornedale Rd measured 56 dBA (not impacted)				Why did he not receive an invitation to the 06-11-03 meeting?			
Last Contact		Researcher		Primary SHA Contact		Construction Projects	
06/11/2003		Nicole		Nicole			
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8/26/03 Rec'd fax from Sen. Giannetti's office; Mr. Rubin wrote to all members of Dist. 21 delegation that sound barrier for Powder Mill Estates not effective and engineering data is flawed; wants barrier length doubled to "solve" the problem							
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6-19-03: Mr. Rubin phoned Nicole. Nicole informed him that we will send him follow-up materials; however, the report is currently in "draft" form; Will send final report once it becomes available. 6-11-03 Phoned Nicole; would like a copy of the Noise Technical Report for this project (not invited to 06-11-03 comm mtg because his property is not impacted by hwy traffic noise); will include Mr. Rubin with follow-up mailings (courtesy)							
All Elected Officials: 06-2003 EO's Dist. 21 Sen. John A Giannetti, Jr.; Dels. Barbara A. Frush; Pauline H. Menes; Brian R. Moe; PG Cnd Thomas Demoga							
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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

May 13, 2003

The Honorable John A. Giannetti, Jr.
Senate of Maryland
122 James Senate Office Building
110 College Avenue
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Senator ~~Giannetti~~: John

This June, the State Highway Administration (SHA) will conduct *two* informational meetings regarding *three* sound barrier projects that will affect the Powder Mill Estates/ Knollwood and Hollywood communities in Prince George's County. The three projects are:

- the proposed barrier along southbound I-95 just south of Cherry Hill Road (of interest to Powder Mill Estates);
- the proposed barrier adjacent to the ramp from southbound I-95 to westbound I-495 (of interest to Knollwood); and
- the extension of the sound barrier that currently runs adjacent to eastbound I-95/I495, toward the MARC/Metro tracks (of interest to Hollywood).

The meeting for the Powder Mill Estates and Knollwood communities is scheduled for Wednesday, June 11, 2003, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the Multi-Purpose Room/Cafeteria of the High Point High School, 3601 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville. The second meeting, for the Hollywood community, is scheduled for Wednesday, June 18, 2003 in the Multi-Purpose Room/Cafeteria of the Hollywood Elementary School, 9811 49th Avenue, in College Park. Before each of these meetings, displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

The purpose of each meeting is to discuss the proposed sound barriers and to seek concurrence on the construction of the barriers from at least 75 percent of the impacted property owners who would benefit from the barriers. We will distribute vote cards at each meeting to those impacted homeowners. Impacted property owners who are eligible to vote are those whose homes experience existing highway noise levels of 66 decibels or more.

My telephone number/toll-free number is **410-545-0400 or 1-800-206-0770**

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Property owners who are unable to attend these meetings will receive a summary of the meeting and copies of all materials distributed at the meeting approximately seven to ten days following the meetings. Voting cards will also be included for eligible, impacted property owners who were unable to attend the meetings.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns beforehand, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Nicole Ross, of our staff, at 410-545-8616 or 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at nross@sha.state.md.us. She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,



Neil J. Pedersen
Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, SHA
Ms. Nicole Ross, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, SHA

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bcc: Ms. Valerie Burnette Edgar, Director of Communications, State Highway Administration
James D. Hade, RLA, Noise Abatement Team Leader, State Highway Administration
Ms. Nanette M. Schieke, State Legislative Officer, Maryland Department of
Transportation
Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration
Mr. Charlie K. Watkins, District Engineer, State Highway Administration

Serial #: None

OED Serial#: None

Noise Customer #: 197, 1801, 1802 (Hollywood); 1238, 2014 (Knollwood); 271, 737, 2436
(Powder Mill Estates)

Responding to letter dated: Invitation to affected (both impacted and benefited) property owners to attend the SHA-hosted community informational meeting on 06-11-2003 at the High Point High School, 3601 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville, Maryland (Powder Mill Estates and Knollwood communities; Invitation to affected (both impacted and benefited) property owners to attend the SHA-hosted community informational meeting on 06-18-2003 at the Hollywood Elementary School, 9811 49th Avenue, College Park (Hollywood community)

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

July 1, 2003

The Honorable Leo E. Green
Senate of Maryland
3123 Belair Drive
Bowie MD 20715-1991

Dear Senator Green:

Thank you for your recent letter on behalf of your constituent, Mr. Thomas Lee, of 12707 Kingsfield Lane, Bowie, and his concerns over the performance of the sound barriers along US 50 between US 301/MD 3 and MD 197 (Collington Road) in Prince George's County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide the following information.

Regarding the studies of the noise impacts along US 50 in the Bowie area, a number of conditions and circumstances specific to the area were considered. First, because sound barriers were proposed on both sides of US 50, an analysis of potential reflection and reverberation of noise between the barriers was undertaken. The results indicated that the barriers should have a surface treatment that is acoustically absorptive. Both barriers have been constructed with absorptive surfaces. In the design development of a noise barrier, all factors such as topography, the elevation of residences, the highway, and other physical features are taken into account.

The effects of different pavement surfaces on noise levels have been extensively researched for many years. In general, asphalt pavements have been found to be slightly quieter than those made of concrete, although there have been relatively recent development of quieter concrete surfaces. Such improvements using "quieter" pavement, however, have been found to often degrade over time due to wear and deterioration of the road surface. Unfortunately, due to limited available funding, there is no plan to resurface this section of US 50 in the near future.

In examining the location of your constituent's home, the rather substantial distance they are situated from the barrier and roadway tells us that there may be other factors affecting the noise level. The biggest variation in the way noise travels over distance is related to conditions in the atmosphere. In particular, wind speed and direction can substantially increase or decrease the noise level in a given location. Also, changes in temperature and humidity can yield similar effects. In the case of your constituent, there could be a measure of bending of sound waves down toward the ground such that the overall level is increased at a greater distance from the source (i.e. highway) than might be expected. Enclosed is a "Fact Sheet" that further explains some of these phenomena in greater detail.

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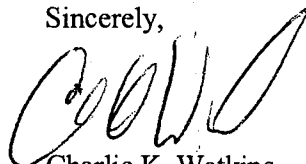
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Thank you again for your inquiry on behalf of Mr. Lee. If you or Mr. Lee has additional highway noise-related questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Kenneth Polcak, the State Highway Administration Noise Abatement Team Environmental Analyst, at 410-545-8601, 1-800-446-5962, or, by e-mail, at kpolcak@sha.state.md.us. He will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,



Charlie K. Watkins
District Engineer

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Thomas Lee, 12707 Kingsfield Lane, Bowie, Maryland 20715-2865
Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director, Office of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
Mr. Kenneth D. Polcak, Environmental Analyst, Noise Abatement Team, Office of
Environmental Design, State Highway Administration

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bcc: James D. Hade, RLA, Noise Abatement Team Leader, State Highway Administration
Mr. Raleigh Medley, District 3 Maintenance, State Highway Administration
Ms. Nicole Ross, Special Assistant to the Director, Office of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
Ms. Nanette M. Schieke, State Legislative Officer, Maryland Department of Transportation
Mr. T.E. Severe, Administrative Assistant, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration

Serial #: None

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Noise Customer #: 2337

Responding to letter dated: Follow-up to 05-27-2003 letter from Sen. Green to SHA Dist. Eng. Charlie Watkins on behalf of his constituent, Mr. Thomas Lee, 12707 Kingsfield Lane, Bowie MD 20715-2865; Sen. Green asked the following: "I am relaying two questions on his behalf: 1) Could he obtain copies of any preliminary site studies that might indicate whether some of these acoustical consequences were anticipated by SHA in the barrier location and design, and; 2) Would these effects be ameliorated by blacktopping the associated stretch of road (and if such improvements are pending, when)?"

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Enclosure:

One copy (two-sided): **FACT SHEET:** *Atmospheric / Weather Conditions and Their Effects on Outdoor Noise Propagation*

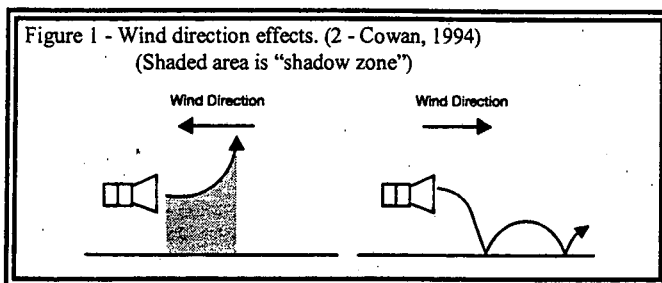
FACT SHEET

Atmospheric / Weather Conditions and Their Effect on Outdoor Noise Propagation

In the assessment of environmental noise, weather and atmospheric conditions can, under certain circumstances, demonstrate substantial effects on noise levels. These effects tend to be most apparent where the subject noise is traveling over relatively large distances. This paper presents a discussion of the various conditions and factors which can affect the propagation of noise in the outdoor environment. References (1,2) used in the preparation of this paper are listed at the end.

Wind Speed and Direction

The effect of wind speed and direction on how sound travels over distance is very much dependent upon the position of the receptor (upwind or downwind) relative to the source of noise; the noise level may be substantially reduced, or increased, relative to a "calm" wind condition (see Figure 1). The magnitude of this effect is increased as wind speed increases. The reason this happens is that wind speed

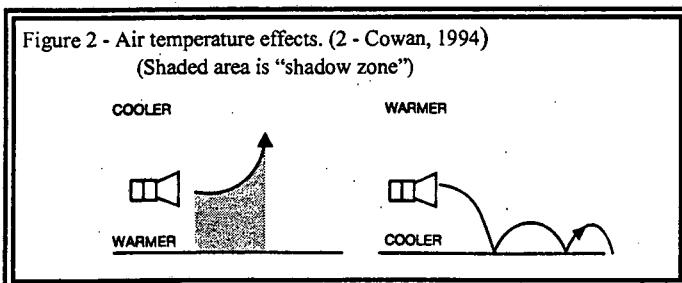


varies with height above the ground; for example, the air 25 feet above the ground will be moving faster than the air 5 feet above the ground because of frictional forces between the air and ground. Sound waves high above the ground traveling through the air in the same direction as the wind will be bent down towards the ground, thus increasing the overall noise level downwind of the noise source. Conversely, if the same

sound waves are traveling against the wind, the waves will tend to be bent upward away from the ground creating a "shadow zone" where the overall noise level upwind of the source is reduced. This phenomenon is usually most apparent in situations where the noise is propagating over larger distances (say 400-500 feet or more).

Air Temperature and Humidity

In a similar fashion to the effects of wind speed and direction, air temperature affects how well sound will propagate. It is however, not so much the specific absolute temperature, but how the



temperature varies with height above the ground (also called the "lapse rate"). In Figure 2, unlike the effects from wind, there is no upwind or downwind per se, meaning that the receptor position has less to do with the resultant effect.

Temperature effects tend to manifest themselves equally in all directions around the sound source. With a "normal lapse

rate", temperature decreases as height above the ground increases (left diagram, Figure 2), and is a fairly typical condition seen on a clear, sunny afternoon. Under these conditions, the sound travels slower in the cooler air above, and thus the sound waves are bent upwards. Conversely, as temperature increases with height above the ground (called a temperature inversion - right diagram, Figure 2), the sound waves are bent downward to the ground, increasing the overall sound level. This condition is fairly common on clear, calm nights. Combinations of these two conditions can also occur with variable results. As with wind effects, often these conditions demonstrate the greatest effects on sound traveling over longer distances. The important point to remember is that these multiple atmospheric conditions in combination can either result in enhanced effects on noise propagation or may serve to actually cancel each other out, resulting in little or no affect over the "neutral" condition.

The effects of humidity on noise propagation are very much related to temperature, and to the "length" of the sound waves (called their frequency). Sources of high frequency sound could be a whistle, birds chirping or rustling leaves; low frequency sound could be produced by a rumbling truck engine or distant jet aircraft. The amount of water vapor (humidity) in the air effects how well sound is attenuated (reduced) as it travels over distance.

The relationship between temperature, relative humidity, and sound frequency is very complex, as is the degree to which these factors influence sound propagation. The extent of this interrelationship is such that these factors, acting in various combinations, can yield a very wide range of results.

Concluding Remarks

The amount or level of environmental noise in a given location is often very much affected by prevailing weather conditions. The intent of this paper has been to describe the many interrelated factors that influence the propagation of noise in the outdoor environment. **It is important to understand that on any particular occasion, these many factors in different combinations can yield very different and sometimes extreme noise level variations.**

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Please draft a reply
for Charlie Watkins' signature by
6/25.



Maryland Department of Transportation
State Highway Administration

from the desk of
CHARLIE K. WATKINS
DISTRICT ENGINEER
DISTRICT THREE

Charlie,
Can you respond to Senator
Green's request regarding the
sound barrier. Please contact
Raleigh Hedley, or he can contact
you, regarding the blacktopping
request. Or if this should be
handled by another department,
please let me know.

Thanks,
Phyllis

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May 27, 2003

Charlie Watkins
District #3 Engineer, SHA
9300 Kenilworth Avenue
Greenbelt, MD 20770

RE: Route 50 between Rts. 197 & 301
Sound issues/Blacktop

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Charlie Watkins".

Dear Mr. Watkins:

Mr. Thomas Lee, a District 23 constituent residing at 12707 Kingsfield Lane, Bowie, MD 20715, has contacted my office in regard to a residual noise issue for members of his community living adjacent to, but at higher elevations than, the sound barriers constructed along the cited portion of Route 50.

In fact, Mr. Lee's observation is that the sound barriers actually serve to intensify and direct the road noise from the macadam surface of Route 50 up to his elevation.

I am relaying two questions on his behalf: 1) Could he obtain copies of any preliminary site studies that might indicate whether some of these acoustical consequences were anticipated by SHA in the barrier location and design, and; 2) Would these effects be ameliorated by blacktopping the associated stretch of road (and if such improvements are pending, when)?

Thank you for your prompt assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

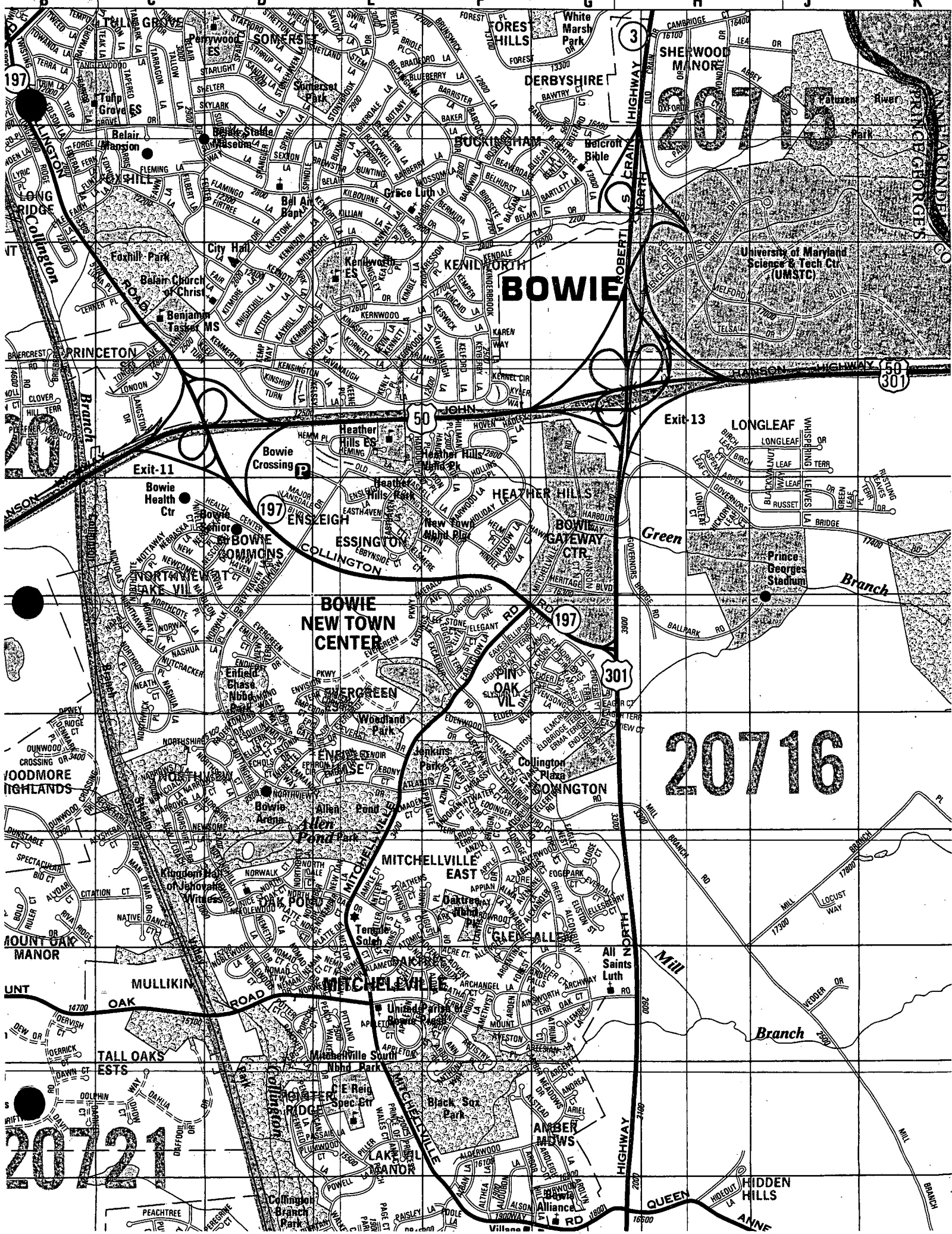
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Westbound from 1850' west of the US 301 interchange to the MD 197 interchange							
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Owner Information

Owner Name: LEE, THOMAS & LOUISE W Use: RESIDENTIAL
Principal Residence: YES
Mailing Address: 12707 KINGSFIELD LN Deed Reference: 1) / 2846/ 105
BOWIE MD 20715-2865 2)

301-262-0873

Location & Structure Information

Premises Address Zoning Legal Description
12707 KINGSFIELD LN R55
BOWIE 20715

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Map	Grid	Parcel	Sub District	Subdivision	Section	Block	Lot	Group	Plat No:	A-4349
47	C4			4800	30	107	25	81	Plat Ref:	

Special Tax Areas Town BOWIE
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Tax Class 10

Primary Structure Built	Enclosed Area	Property Land Area	County Use
1963	1,872 SF	14,471.00 SF	001

Stories	Basement	Type	Exterior
2	NO	STANDARD UNIT	FRAME

Value Information

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Improvements:	88,600	117,370		
Total:	139,640	168,410	149,230	158,820
Preferential Land:	0	0	0	0

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DIST 23A - Sen. Leo E. Green

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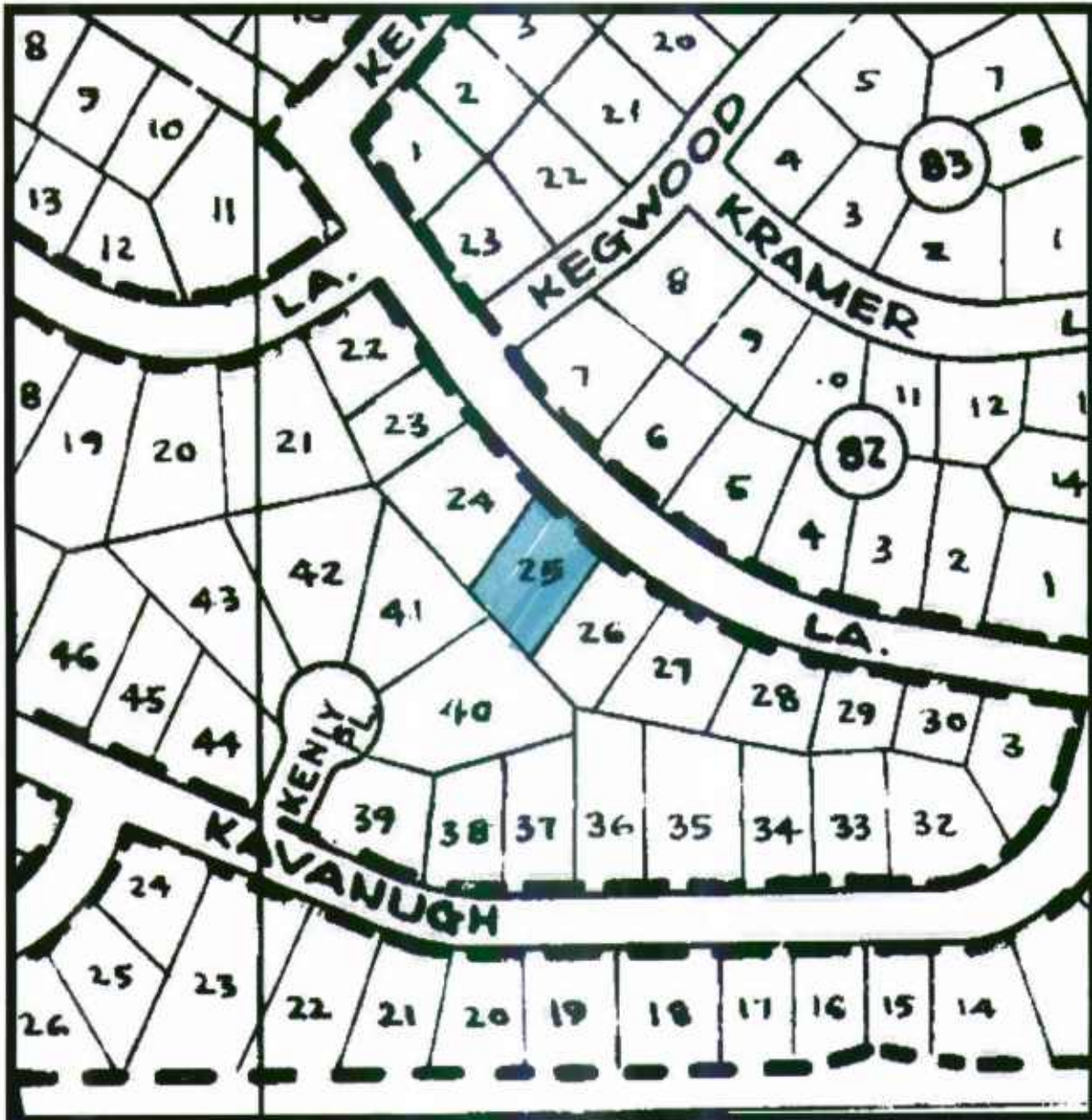
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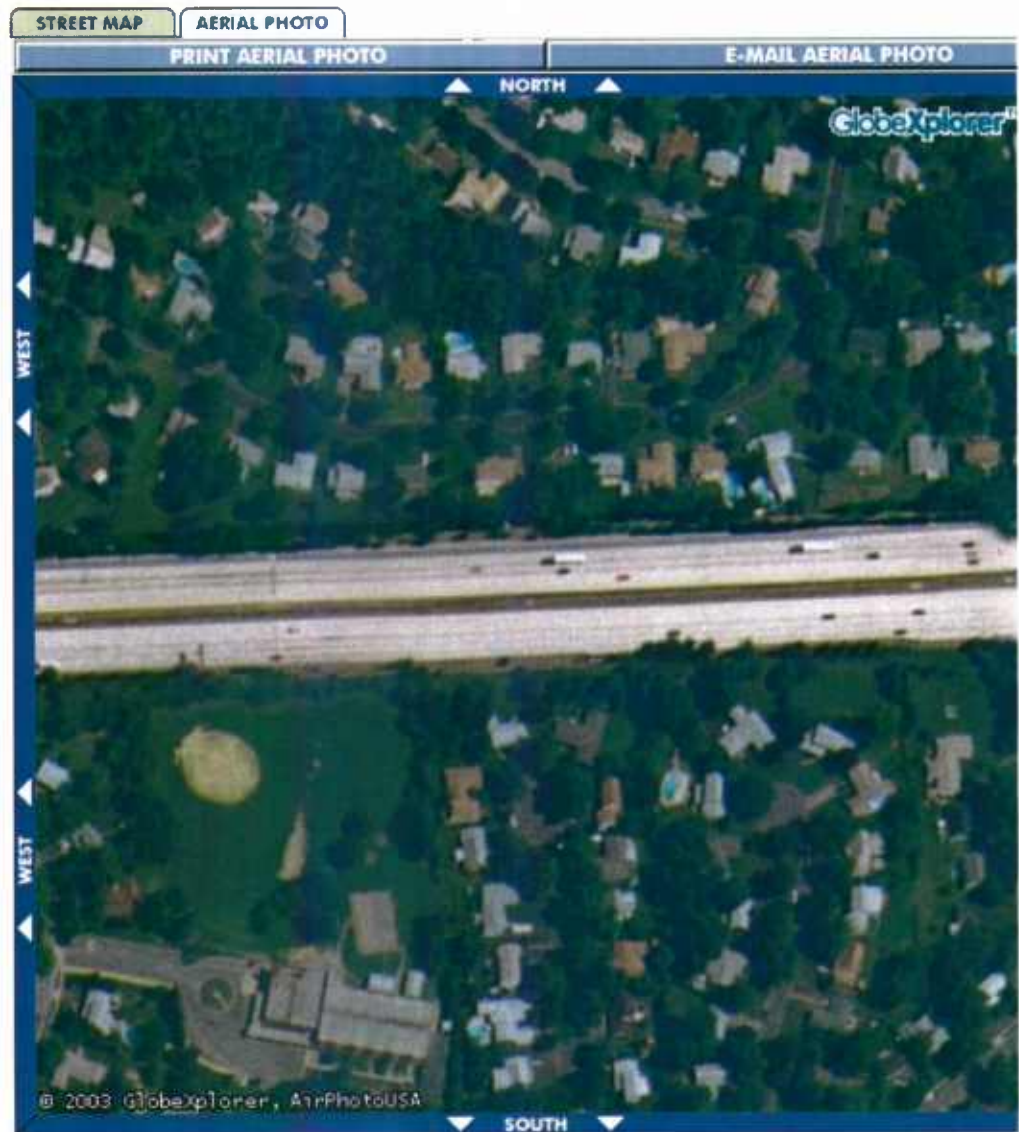
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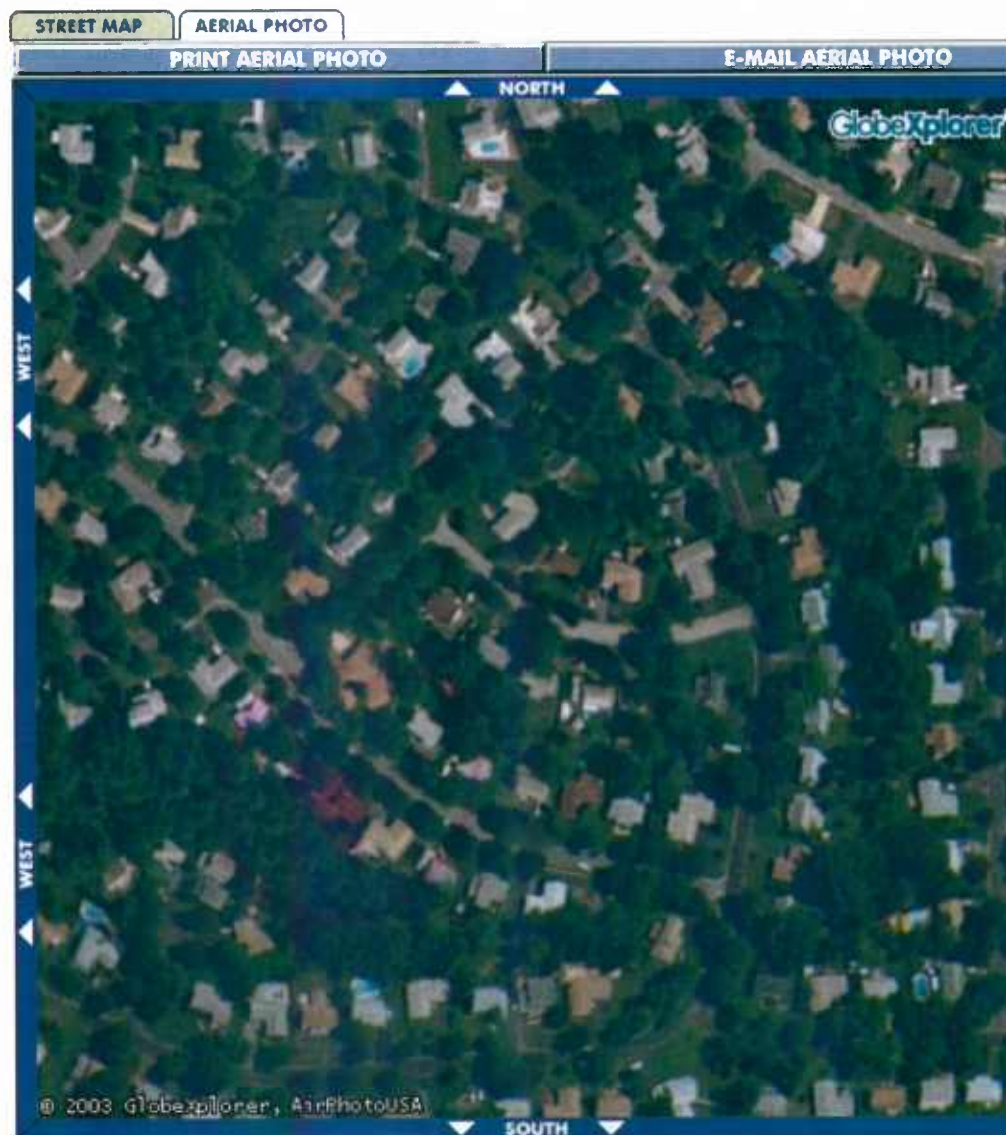
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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

July 10, 2003

The Honorable Guy Guzzone
Howard County Council
3430 Court House Drive
Ellicott City MD 21043-4392

Dear Councilman Guzzone:

This letter is an update on two sound barriers in your district: the Guilford Downs community, along northbound US 29 between MD 175 and Diamondback drive; and the Allview Estates community, along northbound US 29 between Seneca Drive and Broken Land Parkway. I appreciate the opportunity to provide this information.

At their October 15, 2002 meeting with residents of the Guilford Downs community, representatives of the State Highway Administration (SHA) stated that they expected to start construction on the barrier for the community in Fall 2003. We have since learned that the Howard County's FY 2004 budget does not include the County's share for the cost of this barrier. As a result, SHA will not proceed with construction this Fall but will establish a new construction schedule once the County's funding has been approved. Based on information we have received from Howard County staff, we have reason to hope that the County's FY 2005 budget may contain funding for this project.

In the meantime, SHA staff plans to hold a community informational meeting later this year to tie up the remaining issues on the Allview Estates barrier. All property owners in this community who would be benefited by the proposed sound barrier will receive invitations approximately 30 days before the meeting. The purpose of the meeting will be to present and discuss the design of the barrier and to seek written concurrence on its construction from at least 75 percent of the property owners whose homes are currently impacted by highway traffic noise. Impacted property owners are those whose homes experience highway traffic noise levels of 66-decibels or greater. As with the project of the Guilford Downs community, we are hopeful that Howard County's FY 2005 budget will contain funding for the sound barrier for Allview Estates.

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Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. We appreciate your patience during this difficult time of budget challenges. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Nicole Ross, of SHA's Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962, or nross@sha.state.md.us. She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should never hesitate to contact me directly, if you prefer.

Sincerely,



Neil J. Pedersen
Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
Elizabeth A. Calia, P.E., Chief Engineer, Transportation and Special Projects Division,
Howard County Bureau of Engineering
Mr. Robert L. Fisher, District Engineer, State Highway Administration
Mr. James M. Irvin, Director, Howard County Department of Public Works
Ms. Nicole Ross, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, State
Highway Administration

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James D. Hade, RLA, Noise Abatement Team Leader, State Highway Administration
Mr. T.E. Severe, Administrative Assistant, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway
Administration

Serial #: None

OED Serial#: None

Noise Customer #: 1994, 2468, 2515, 2525 (Allview Estates); (Atholton Manor); 1312, 1313, 1831, 2202 (Guilford Downs)

Responding to letter dated: Follow-up to 10-15-2002 SHA-hosted community informational meeting for Atholton Manor and Guilford Downs at George Howard Building, Ellicott City, Howard County (with information provided by Ms. Elizabeth Calia) has indicated it may include a funding request for the Allview Estates, Atholton Manor and Guilford Downs sound barriers in its FY 2005 budget (June 2004); the construction start date would be scheduled by SHA for all three barriers (Atholton Manor, Guilford Downs and Allview Estates) once the County's funding has been approved

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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September 3, 2003

The Honorable Larry E. Haines
Senate of Maryland
140 Village Shopping Center
Westminster MD 21157-6118

Dear Senator Haines:

This letter is an update on sound barrier projects for Baltimore County. Information was also recently provided to Baltimore County Executive James T. Smith, Jr., to aid Baltimore County in its budget deliberations.

The Priceville community, located in the southwest quadrant of the I-83/Belfast Road interchange, meets all of the State Highway Administration's (SHA) criteria for a Type II, or "retrofit," sound barrier. This sound barrier project is not funded for design or construction at this time. There are no funds available for new sound barrier projects through FY 2008. At such time as funding may become available for new projects, the project would be eligible for funding when Baltimore County is able to commit to its share of the estimated cost. The current estimated cost for the sound barrier project for the Priceville community is \$1.8 million, with the County share being \$395,000.

It may be helpful for you to know that, when barriers are considered for inclusion in our capital budget, they are prioritized—first, by the order in which each county's commitments for the local share have been received; and, second, by the age of the communities. Once SHA receives a commitment for any of these Baltimore County projects, it will be prioritized as described above.

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The SHA looks forward to working with Baltimore County's representatives to provide barriers for these eligible communities. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Charles B. Adams, SHA's Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8640 or, by e-mail, at cadams@sha.state.md.us. He will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should never hesitate to contact me directly, if you prefer.

Sincerely,



Neil J. Pedersen
Administrator

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Serial #: None

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

September 3, 2003

The Honorable Paula C. Hollinger
Senate of Maryland
Miller Senate Building
2 West Wing
11 Bladen Street
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Senator Hollinger:

This letter is an update on sound barrier projects for Baltimore County. Information was also recently provided to Baltimore County Executive James T. Smith, Jr., to aid Baltimore County in its budget deliberations.

The Woodholme Avenue community, adjacent to the ramp from Reisterstown Road (MD 140) to southbound I-695, meets all of the State Highway Administration's (SHA) criteria for a Type II, or "retrofit," sound barrier. This sound barrier project is not funded for design or construction at this time. There are no funds available for new sound barrier projects through FY 2008. At such time as funding may become available for new projects, the project would be eligible for funding when Baltimore County is able to commit to its share of the estimated cost. The current estimated cost for the sound barrier project for the Woodholme Avenue community is \$2.0 million, with the County share being \$439,000.

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

April 2, 2003

The Honorable Steny H. Hoyer
United States Congress
House of Representatives
Suite 310
6500 Cherrywood Lane
Greenbelt MD 20770

Dear Congressman Hoyer:

Thank you for your letter on behalf of your constituent, Dr. Bozena D. Baden, of 6800 Friendship Court in Clinton, Prince George's County. Dr. Baden had sent you a petition for a sound barrier along northbound MD 5 adjacent to her community. I appreciate the opportunity to respond to your inquiry.

The State Highway Administration (SHA) considers the need for sound barriers in two circumstances, designated "Type I" and "Type II." In "Type I" situations, barriers are considered when a new highway is being built or an existing highway is being expanded. At this time, we have no plans to further improve this portion of MD 5 that would warrant a Type I sound barrier evaluation. If, however, such a new project were planned to increase the through-capacity of the highway, we would analyze the impact of the proposed improvements on projected future noise levels. We would, specifically, determine whether future highway noise levels will equal or exceed the impact threshold of 66 decibels. If so, then we would also determine whether the highway noise would be at least three decibels higher than it would have been if the highway were not improved. A three-decibel increase is required because the human ear only begins to discern a change in noise levels if the change is between three and five decibels. The homes that would be impacted by any such increase in highway noise would also have to predate the approval of the highway improvements. If these conditions were met, we would then determine whether we could reduce the excess noise levels for a reasonable cost.

Dr. Baden's community was studied for the 1988 *Final Environmental Impact Statement for Maryland Route 5, North of Interstate Route 95 to South of U.S. Route 301, Prince George's County, Maryland* (FEIS). The improvements to this portion of MD 5 were completed in 1999. "Noise Receptor 15" in the FEIS was 6800 Friendship Road (now 6800 Friendship Court), Dr. Baden's home. The existing noise level measurement for Noise Receptor 15 was 68 decibels. This residence was impacted by highway traffic noise. However, the FEIS also stated that there would be no difference in noise levels at this location between the future condition of constructing the improvements and that of not constructing the improvements. Additionally, the estimated cost of a sound barrier to protect eight impacted and benefited homes would have been over \$47,000 per residence, higher than the \$40,000 maximum allowed by the State's Sound Barrier Policy at that time. As a result of these findings, the construction of a sound barrier for this area was not considered reasonable.

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This community was reevaluated in 1994 and 1996. Although the reevaluations determined that it would be possible to construct a barrier for approximately \$35,000 per residence, there was still no difference between "build" and "no-build" noise levels. Thus, we could not give further consideration to a Type I barrier.

When a highway already exists and is *not* being expanded—so that Type I criteria do not apply—a community that predates the original highway may be considered for a "Type II," or "retrofit," barrier. The Type II program addresses areas of noise impact along fully controlled-access highways (i.e., where access to the highway is by interchange rather than by at-grade intersections), that were built before environmental analyses became a part of the highway development process. All of the following technical criteria must be met for a Type II barrier to be approved: the majority of impacted homes must predate the highway; existing noise levels must equal or exceed the 66-decibel impact threshold; and an effective barrier must be able to be built for \$50,000 or less per benefited home. If these criteria are met, the county in which the community is located must have an ordinance that addresses the impact of noise on new residential development, and the county must agree to fund 20 percent of the barrier cost. As a system, MD 5 is not a fully controlled-access highway. As a result, we are unable to consider a Type II sound barrier along northbound MD 5 near Friendship Court.

Thank you for your letter on behalf of Dr. Baden and her neighbors and for your interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Charles B. Adams, SHA's Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8640, 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at cadams@sha.state.md.us. He will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should not hesitate to contact me directly, if you prefer.

Sincerely,

Neil J. Pedersen

Neil J. Pedersen
Acting Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
The Honorable Marilyn M. Bland, Member, Prince George's County Council
The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., Member, Senate of Maryland
The Honorable James E. Proctor, Jr., Member, Maryland House of Delegates
The Honorable Joseph F. Vallario, Jr., Member, Maryland House of Delegates
Mr. Charlie K. Watkins, District Engineer, State Highway Administration

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Highway Administration
Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration

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Responding to letter dated: Follow-up to 03-18-2003 letter from Rep. Hoyer to SHA
Administrator regarding request from Dr. Baden to intercede on behalf of herself and her neighbors
on Friendship Court in Clinton MD with SHA to have SHA "diminish the huge amounts of pollution
and unbearable noise generated by this major thoroughfare [MD 5] into the Washington, D.C.
corridor" - this was in her 10-01-2002 letter to Rep. Hoyer - {by "diminish," Dr. Baden means a
sound barrier}; Dr. Baden wrote to Rep. Hoyer on 01-29-2003 to again request his assistance
"regarding the possibility of building a retaining wall to curb the pollution and noise for residents residing
on Route 5 - Branch Avenue"; her letter again asked him "to evaluate this situation"

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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
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March 18, 2003

Mr. Parker F. Williams
Maryland State Highway Administration
707 N. Calvert Street #C-400
Baltimore, MD 21202-3601

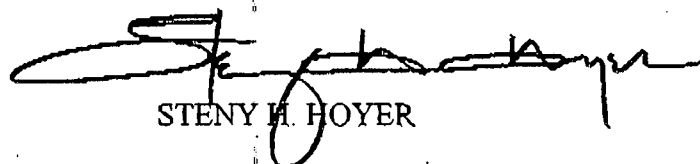
Dear Mr. Williams:

I am writing to you on behalf of Mr. Bozena Baden, who has contacted me regarding a petition he and his neighbors forwarded to the State Highway Administration.

Enclosed for your review is a copy of the letter outlining the problem. In view of the issues that have been raised, I would greatly appreciate your looking into this matter and advising me of your findings.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,



STENY H. HOYER

SHH/br

Enclosure

Please respond to:

6500 Cherrywood Lane
Suite 310
Greenbelt, MD 20770
301-474-0119 (phone)
301-474-4697 (fax)

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Bozena

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January 29, 2003

The Honorable Steny Hoyer
U.S. House of Representatives
1705 Longworth Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Hoyer:

Several months ago I wrote to you regarding the possibility of building a retaining wall to curb the pollution and noise for residents residing on Route 5 - Branch Avenue (copy enclosed). To date I have received no reply from your office regarding this matter.

Mr. Hoyer, I am respectfully asking again that you evaluate this situation and I am anxiously awaiting a reply to this further inquiry.

Sincerely,

Bozena
Bozena Baden, M.D.
6800 Friendship Road
Clinton, MD 20735

Enclosure

*copy of
2 additional
documents*

October 1, 2002

The Honorable Steny Hoyer
U.S. House of Representatives
1705 Longworth Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Hoyer:

Some time ago my neighbors and I petitioned the State Highway Administration to take into consideration the close proximity of our houses to MD Rt. 5, Branch Avenue, after adjustments were made adding lanes to both northbound and southbound traffic (enclosed). In response to this inquiry we were told that "MD 5, as a system, is not a fully controlled-access highway" (enclosed).

As a long-time resident I have seen major highway expansion to MD Rt. 5, which is a main thoroughfare into Washington, D.C., and a massive increase in traffic volume. As stated in the letter from the State Highway Administration, it would appear that this area would fall under the Type II program designed to address "noise impact along highways that were built before environmental analyses became a part of the highway development process."

As constituents we would appreciate any assistance regarding our request to the State Highway Administration to diminish the huge amount of pollution and unbearable noise generated by this major thoroughfare into the Washington, D.C. corridor.

Sincerely,

Bozena Baden, M.D.
6800 Friendship Road
Clinton, MD 20735

Enclosures

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January 30, 2001

State Highway Administration
9300 Kennilworth Avenue
Greenbelt, MD 20770

Attn: Charlie Watkins
District Engineer

Dear Mr. Watkins:

We, the citizens on Friendship Court, Clinton, MD, are asking for help. After the State Highway Administration made adjustments on Rt. 5 (Branch Avenue), are houses are now very close (in fact just a few yards) from the highway. As you know, Rt. 5 is very frequented, and the noise and pollution is unbearable for our families and children.

We therefore ask that you evaluate this situation. We are asking for a wall to be built which would curb the noise, and which would hopefully improve our living conditions.

Sincerely,

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MARYLAND STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION
THE ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE (PHONE 410-545-0400 FAX 410-209-5009)

REQUEST FOR PREPARATION OF CORRESPONDENCE

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM AND PREPARED CORRESPONDENCE TO ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE

(Attn: Donna Austin)

CONTROL # 03Mar51

LOG DATE: 03/21/2003

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SUBJECT: NOISE IMPACT ALONG MD ROUTE 5 BRANCH AVNUE

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SENIOR MANAGER'S APPROVAL: _____

WAS THERE PERSONAL CONTACT WITH THE SENDER? [] YES [] NO

REMARKS: _____

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January 30, 2001

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Greenbelt, MD 20770

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Sincerely,

6802 M. R. Patricia Taylor + Husband 3 Kids
6804 / William Coggins + 1 Child
? Nora Sullivan
6800 [unclear]
6810 Shela J. Alexander 1 Child
? Dion Thamer (FORMER 6806 - SAW IN 02/08/2000)
? Robert Bartlett
? Latonia [unclear]

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Elected Official whom has communicated directly to us on this cu Rep. Steny H. Hoyer (US Congress)						
DAY PHONE	HOME PHONE	E-Mail address	COMMUNITY			
301-609-6700	301-856-2619		Friendship Court			
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NB MD 5 just south of MD 5 and Malcom Road intersection						
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I will share this info with the staff and respond back to her within two days	wants someone to visit her home to hear noise levels on her street	Jim				
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03-2003 EO's Dist. 27A Sen. Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.; Dels. James E. Proctor, Jr.; Joseph F. Vallario, Jr.; PG Cnd Marilyn M. Bland 09-09-2002 Dr. Baden called; requested copy of petition sent to SHA be faxed to her so that she can contact her State Senator about the issue; FAX number provided is 303-609-6741 05/07/02 Dr. Baden returned Nicole's call; Nicole explained to her that SHA has to abide by the FHWA's guidelines regarding Noise Barriers; Nicole also went over SHA's Noise Policy; Dr. Baden may seek another opinion from her elected officials. 5-1-02 Dr. Baden called to stress need for a sound barrier along Friendship Ct & adj. To NB MD 5; noise levels unbearable; public ditch is full of trash and breeds mosquitos. 1/8/2002: Jim took call. Dr. Baden inquired on Status, Jim relayed response to Estep, and that we were examining the issue generally. Baden asked Jim to check. She also complained that DPW had cleared shrubs and mutilated trees. Jim referred her to PG DPW 8/29/01 Dr. Baden called for NBH to inquire status of her 05/01 request for sound barrier: described Type I & II criteria - investigating MD 5 for controlled access sections eligible for Type II - results by end-July 2001 5/31/2001 sent letter - described Type I & II criteria - MD 5 to be evaluated in controlled access areas for eligibility for Type II consideration - results due by end-July 2001 called 5/7/01 spoke with Ted Severe						
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<u>COGGINS WILLIAM J</u>	09 0932376	6804 FRIENDSHIP CT	H	116
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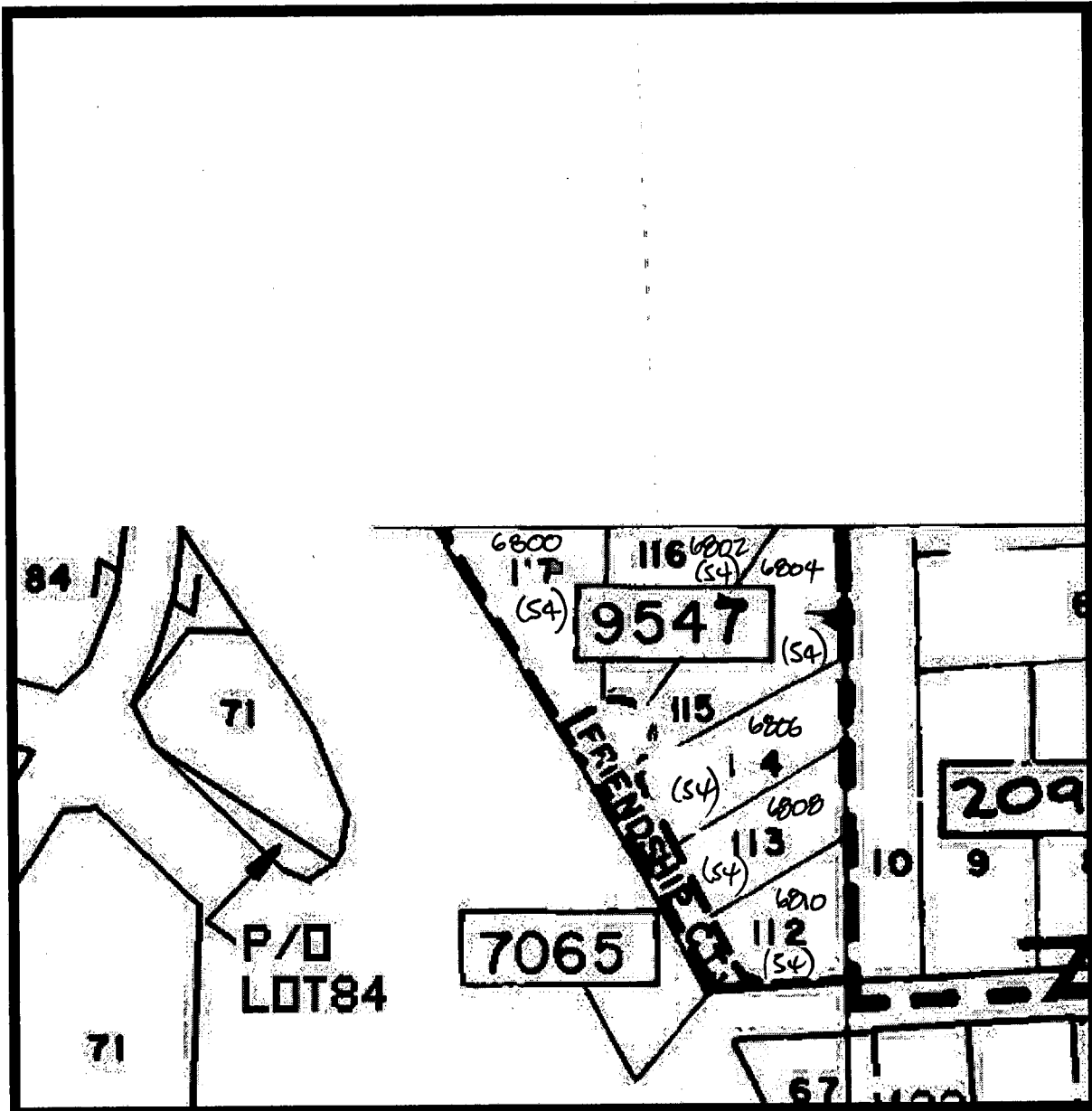
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Owner Information

Owner Name: BADEN,BOZENA D Use: RESIDENTIAL
Principal Residence: NO
Mailing Address: 6800 FRIENDSHIP CT Deed Reference: 1) / 6264/ 858
CLINTON MD 20735-2117 2)

Location & Structure Information

Premises Address Zoning Legal Description
6800 FRIENDSHIP CT R80
CLINTON 20735 CHARLES G SCHULTZ

Map	Grid	Parcel	Sub District	Subdivision	Section	Block	Lot	Group	Plat No:	A-9547
116	D1			7300			117	81	Plat Ref:	

Special Tax Areas Town Ad Valorem Tax Class 08

Primary Structure Built	Enclosed Area	Property Land Area	County Use
1954	875 SF	15,994.00 SF	001

Stories	Basement	Type	Exterior
1	YES	STANDARD UNIT	BRICK

Value Information

	Base Value	Value As Of 01/01/2002	Phase-in Assessments	
			As Of 07/01/2002	As Of 07/01/2003
Land:	51,190	51,190		
Improvements:	46,060	52,310		
Total:	97,250	103,500	99,333	101,416
Preferential Land:	0	0	0	0

Transfer Information

Seller: OURSLER,DOROTHY V	Date: 01/31/1986	Price: \$64,500
Type: IMPROVED ARMS-LENGTH	Deed1: / 6264/ 858	Deed2:
Seller:	Date:	Price:
Type:	Deed1:	Deed2:
Seller:	Date:	Price:
Type:	Deed1:	Deed2:

Exemption Information

Partial Exempt Assessments	Class	07/01/2002	07/01/2003
County	000	0	0
State	000	0	0
Municipal	000	0	0

Tax Exempt: NO
Exempt Class:

Special Tax Recapture:

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Account Identifier: District - 09 Account Number - 0932384

Owner Information

Owner Name: TAYLOR, PATRICIA R Use: RESIDENTIAL
Principal Residence: YES
Mailing Address: 6802 FRIENDSHIP CT Deed Reference: 1) /10733/ 210
CLINTON MD 20735-2117 2)

Location & Structure Information

Premises Address: 6802 FRIENDSHIP CT
CLINTON 20735
Zoning: R80
Legal Description: CHARLES G SCHULTZ
Map 116 Grid D1 Parcel Sub District Subdivision 7300 Section Block Lot 116 Group 81 Plat No: A-9547
Plat Ref:
Special Tax Areas Town Ad Valorem Tax Class 08
Primary Structure Built 1954 Enclosed Area 875 SF Property Land Area 20,424.00 SF County Use 001
Stories 1 Basement YES Type STANDARD UNIT Exterior BRICK

Value Information

	Base Value	Value As Of 01/01/2002	Phase-in Assessments As Of 07/01/2002	Phase-in Assessments As Of 07/01/2003
Land:	51,640	51,640		
Improvements:	47,670	53,390		
Total:	99,310	105,030	101,216	103,122
Preferential Land:	0	0	0	0

Transfer Information

Seller: HILGENBERG, CHARLES W	Date: 04/24/1996	Price: \$102,000
Type: IMPROVED ARMS-LENGTH	Deed1: /10733/ 210	Deed2:
Seller: OURSLER, GRIFFITH S	Date: 09/05/1985	Price: \$55,000
Type: UNKNOWN	Deed1: / 6168/ 758	Deed2:
Seller:	Date: 04/11/1979	Price: \$0
Type: UNKNOWN	Deed1: / 5081/ 697	Deed2:

Exemption Information

Partial Exempt Assessments	Class	07/01/2002	07/01/2003
County	000	0	0
State	000	0	0
Municipal	000	0	0

Tax Exempt: NO
Exempt Class:

Special Tax Recapture:

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Account Identifier: District - 09 Account Number - 0932376

Owner Information

Owner Name: COGGINS, WILLIAM J & DONNA M Use: RESIDENTIAL
Principal Residence: YES
Mailing Address: 6804 FRIENDSHIP CT Deed Reference: 1) / 7998/ 390
CLINTON MD 20735-2117 2)

Location & Structure Information

Premises Address: 6804 FRIENDSHIP CT Zoning: R80 Legal Description: CHARLES G SCHULTZ
CLINTON 20735

Map	Grid	Parcel	Sub District	Subdivision	Section	Block	Lot	Group	Plat No:	A-9547
116	D1			7300			115	81	Plat Ref:	

Special Tax Areas: Town Ad Valorem Tax Class 08

Primary Structure Built	Enclosed Area	Property Land Area	County Use
1954	875 SF	23,202.00 SF	001

Stories	Basement	Type	Exterior
1	YES	STANDARD UNIT	BRICK

Value Information

	Base Value	Value As Of 01/01/2002	Phase-in Assessments As Of 07/01/2002	Phase-in Assessments As Of 07/01/2003
Land:	51,920	51,920		
Improvements:	48,020	55,680		
Total:	99,940	107,600	102,493	105,046
Preferential Land:	0	0	0	0

Transfer Information

Seller: DONOHUE, NANCY J	Date: 07/02/1991	Price: \$85,000
Type: IMPROVED ARMS-LENGTH	Deed1: / 7998/ 390	Deed2:
Seller:	Date: 04/11/1979	Price: \$0
Type: UNKNOWN	Deed1: / 5081/ 701	Deed2:
Seller:	Date:	Price:
Type:	Deed1:	Deed2:

Exemption Information

Partial Exempt Assessments	Class	07/01/2002	07/01/2003
County	000	0	0
State	000	0	0
Municipal	000	0	0

Tax Exempt: NO
Exempt Class:

Special Tax Recapture:

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Owner Information

Owner Name: WHITMAN, RICKEY Use: RESIDENTIAL
Principal Residence: YES
Mailing Address: 6806 FRIENDSHIP CT Deed Reference: 1) /15716/ 296
CLINTON MD 20735-2117 2)

Location & Structure Information

Premises Address: 6806 FRIENDSHIP CT
CLINTON 20735
Zoning: R80
Legal Description: CHARLES G SCHULTZ

Map	Grid	Parcel	Sub District	Subdivision	Section	Block	Lot	Group	Plat No:	A-9547
116	D1			7300			114	81	Plat Ref:	

Special Tax Areas: Town Ad Valorem Tax Class 08

Primary Structure Built	Enclosed Area	Property Land Area	County Use
1954	875 SF	16,934.00 SF	001

Stories	Basement	Type	Exterior
1	YES	STANDARD UNIT	BRICK

Value Information

	Base Value	Value As Of 01/01/2002	Phase-in Assessments As Of 07/01/2002	As Of 07/01/2003
Land:	51,290	51,290		
Improvements:	47,010	53,390		
Total:	98,300	104,680	100,426	102,552
Preferential Land:	0	0	0	0

Transfer Information

Seller:	Date:	Price:
SECRETARY OF H U D	04/19/2002	\$95,000
Type: NOT ARMS-LENGTH	Deed1: /15716/ 296	Deed2:
Seller: THAMES, KEVIN C	Date: 02/08/2002	Price: \$113,000
Type: NOT ARMS-LENGTH	Deed1: /15467/ 690	Deed2:
Seller: OURSLER, STEVEN M	Date: 03/21/1996	Price: \$110,000
Type: IMPROVED ARMS-LENGTH	Deed1: /10673/ 461	Deed2:

Exemption Information

Partial Exempt Assessments	Class	07/01/2002	07/01/2003
County	000	0	0
State	000	0	0
Municipal	000	0	0

Tax Exempt: NO
Exempt Class:

Special Tax Recapture:

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Account Identifier: District - 09 Account Number - 0932350

Owner Information

Owner Name: JOHNSON,ARNOLD JR Use: RESIDENTIAL
Principal Residence: YES
Mailing Address: 6808 FRIENDSHIP CT Deed Reference: 1) /15191/ 151
CLINTON MD 20735-2117 2)

Location & Structure Information

Premises Address Zoning Legal Description
6808 FRIENDSHIP CT R80
CLINTON 20735

CHARLES G SCHULTZ

Map	Grid	Parcel	Sub District	Subdivision	Section	Block	Lot	Group	Plat No:	A-9547
116	D1			7300			113	81	Plat Ref:	

Special Tax Areas Town
Ad Valorem
Tax Class 08

Primary Structure Built	Enclosed Area	Property Land Area	County Use
1954	875 SF	14,125.00 SF	001

Stories	Basement	Type	Exterior
1	YES	STANDARD UNIT	BRICK

Value Information

	Base Value	Value As Of 01/01/2002	Phase-in Assessments As Of 07/01/2002	As Of 07/01/2003
Land:	51,010	51,010		
Improvements:	47,570	54,020		
Total:	98,580	105,030	100,730	102,880
Preferential Land:	0	0	0	0

Transfer Information

Seller:	Date:	Price:
SAUNDERS,WAYNE P	11/20/2001	\$105,000
Type: IMPROVED ARMS-LENGTH	Deed1: /15191/ 151	Deed2:
SAUNDERS,MAHLON F	02/12/1998	Price: \$0
Type: NOT ARMS-LENGTH	Deed1: /11964/ 11	Deed2:
REED,CATHRYN A	09/12/1990	Price: \$91,000
Type: IMPROVED ARMS-LENGTH	Deed1: / 7756/ 401	Deed2:

Exemption Information

Partial Exempt Assessments	Class	07/01/2002	07/01/2003
County	000	0	0
State	000	0	0
Municipal	000	0	0

Tax Exempt: NO
Exempt Class:

Special Tax Recapture:

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Account Identifier: District - 09 Account Number - 0932343

Owner Information

Owner Name: ALEXANDER, SHEILA J Use: RESIDENTIAL
Principal Residence: YES
Mailing Address: 6810 FRIENDSHIP CT Deed Reference: 1) /10003/ 167
CLINTON MD 20735-2117 2)

Location & Structure Information

Premises Address Zoning Legal Description
6810 FRIENDSHIP CT R80
CLINTON 20735 CHARLES G SCHULTZ

Map	Grid	Parcel	Sub District	Subdivision	Section	Block	Lot	Group	Plat No:	A-9547
116	D1			7300			112	81	Plat Ref:	

Special Tax Areas Town Ad Valorem Tax Class 08

Primary Structure Built	Enclosed Area	Property Land Area	County Use
1954	875 SF	13,774.00 SF	001

Stories	Basement	Type	Exterior
1	YES	STANDARD UNIT	BRICK

Value Information

	Base Value	Value As Of 01/01/2002	Phase-in Assessments As Of 07/01/2002	As Of 07/01/2003
Land:	50,970	50,970		
Improvements:	46,060	52,310		
Total:	97,030	103,280	99,113	101,196
Preferential Land:	0	0	0	0

Transfer Information

Seller: BADEN, BOZENA D	Date: 01/31/1995	Price: \$94,000
Type: IMPROVED ARMS-LENGTH	Deed1: /10003/ 167	Deed2:
Seller: SCARZELLA, VIVIAN G	Date: 03/26/1986	Price: \$70,000
Type: UNKNOWN	Deed1: / 6296/ 906	Deed2:
Seller:	Date: 04/11/1979	Price: \$0
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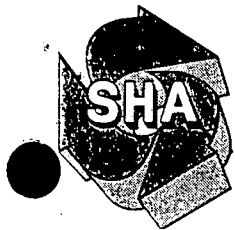
Exemption Information

Partial Exempt Assessments	Class	07/01/2002	07/01/2003
County	000	0	0
State	000	0	0
Municipal	000	0	0

Tax Exempt: NO
Exempt Class:

Special Tax Recapture:

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January 10, 2002

Dr. Bozena D. Baden
6800 Friendship Court
Clinton MD 20735-2117

Dear Doctor Baden:

This letter is a follow-up to your recent telephone conversation with Mr. James Hade, our Noise Abatement Team Leader, regarding a sound barrier along northbound MD 5 near Friendship Court in Prince George's County. I appreciate the opportunity to respond to your inquiry.

The State Highway Administration (SHA) considers the need for sound barriers in two circumstances, designated "Type I" and "Type II." In "Type I" situations, barriers are considered when a new highway is being built or an existing highway is being expanded. When a highway already exists and is *not* being expanded—so that Type I criteria do not apply—a community that predates the original highway may be considered for a "Type II," or "retrofit," barrier. The intent of the Type II program is to address areas of noise impact along highways that were built before environmental analyses became a part of the highway development process and are full controlled access highways where access to the highway is by interchange rather than at-grade intersections. MD 5, as a system, is not a fully controlled-access highway and, therefore, we are unable to consider a sound barrier along northbound MD 5 near Friendship Court.

Thank you for your telephone call and continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. I regret that I cannot provide a positive response. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Hade at 410-545-8599 or 1-8000-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at jhade@sha.state.md.us. He will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

Charles B. Adams
Director
Office of Environmental Design

cc: The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Member, Senate of Maryland
The Honorable James E. Proctor, Jr., Member, Maryland House of Delegates
The Honorable Joseph F. Vallario, Jr., Member, Maryland House of Delegates
The Honorable M.H. Jim Estepp, Member, Prince George's County Council
James D. Hade, RLA, Noise Abatement Team Leader, State Highway Administration
Mr. Charlie K. Watkins, District Engineer, State Highway Administration

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May 31, 2001

Ms. Bozena D. Baden
6800 Friendship Court
Clinton MD 20735-2117

Dear Ms. Baden:

This letter is a follow-up to your recent telephone conversation with Mr. Ted Severe, of our staff, regarding a sound barrier for the homes along Friendship Court and adjacent to northbound MD 5 in Prince George's County. I appreciate the opportunity to respond to your inquiry.

The State Highway Administration (SHA) considers the need for sound barriers in two circumstances, designated "Type I" and "Type II." In "Type I" situations, barriers are considered when a new highway is being built or an existing highway is being expanded. We do so to comply with environmental laws that were passed in the 1970s that require the evaluation of a range of potential environmental impacts, including noise. Under these laws, SHA performs an environmental analysis to determine if future noise levels will equal or exceed the impact threshold of 66 decibels and, if so, whether those noise levels can be reduced for a reasonable cost. Affected homes must predate the approval of the highway improvements. The environmental document did not recommend a barrier for this community because there was no difference in noise levels between the future condition of constructing the improvements and that of not constructing the improvements. Additionally, the cost of a barrier was estimated to be over \$47,000 per residence which exceeded the then \$40,000 cost per residence criterion.

When a highway already exists and is *not* being expanded—so that Type I criteria do not apply—a community that predates the original highway may be considered for a "Type II," or "retrofit," barrier. All of the following technical criteria must be met for a barrier to be approved: the majority of homes must predate the highway; existing noise levels must equal or exceed the 66 decibel impact threshold; and an effective barrier must be able to be built for \$50,000 or less per benefited home. If these criteria are met, the County in which the community is located must have an ordinance that addresses the impact of noise on new residential development, and the County must agree to fund 20 percent of the barrier cost.

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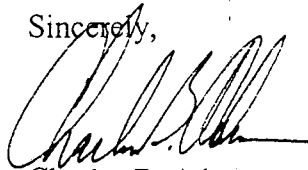
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The Type II program addresses areas of noise impact along full controlled access highways where access is by interchange rather than at-grade intersections and that were built before environmental analyses became a part of the highway development process. Because not all of MD 5 could be considered a full controlled-access highway, SHA will investigate the Friendship Court community along northbound MD 5 to determine if it is eligible for consideration for a sound barrier under the State's Type II program. If the community is found to be eligible for consideration, we would be happy to determine if it meets all of the technical criteria outlined above. We expect to be able to provide preliminary results of our investigation to you by the end of July 2001.

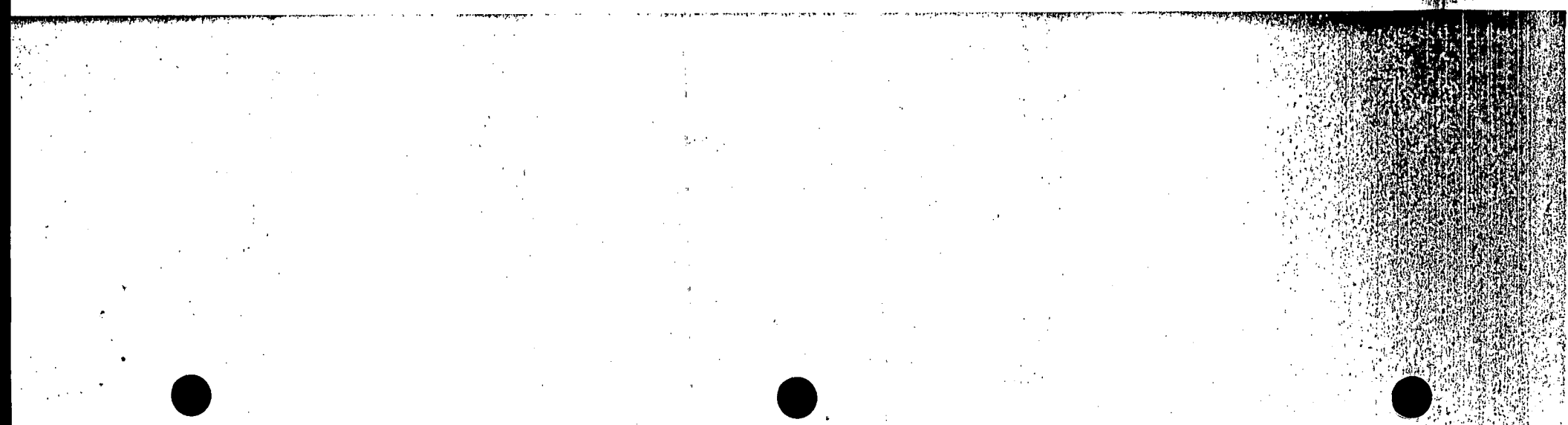
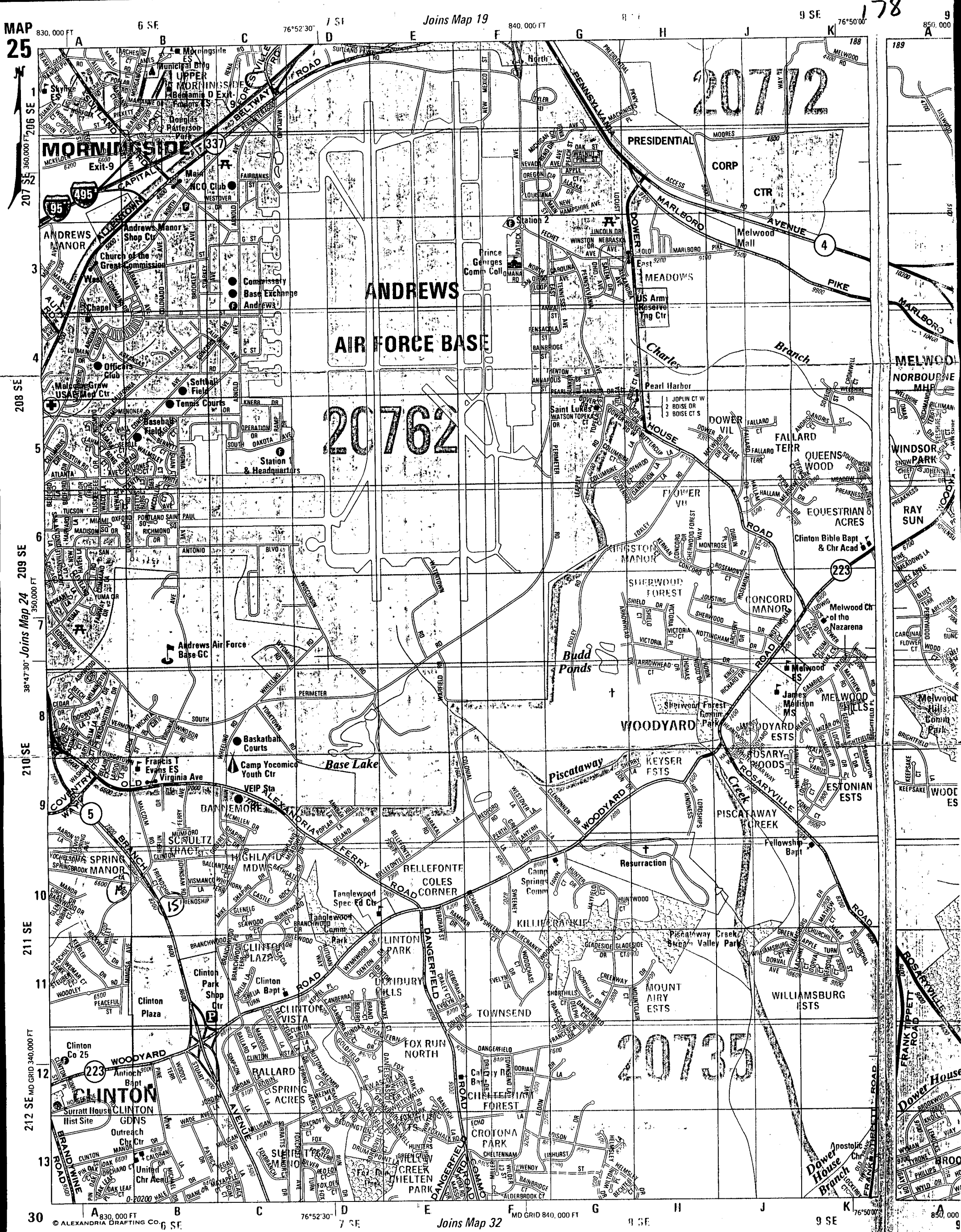
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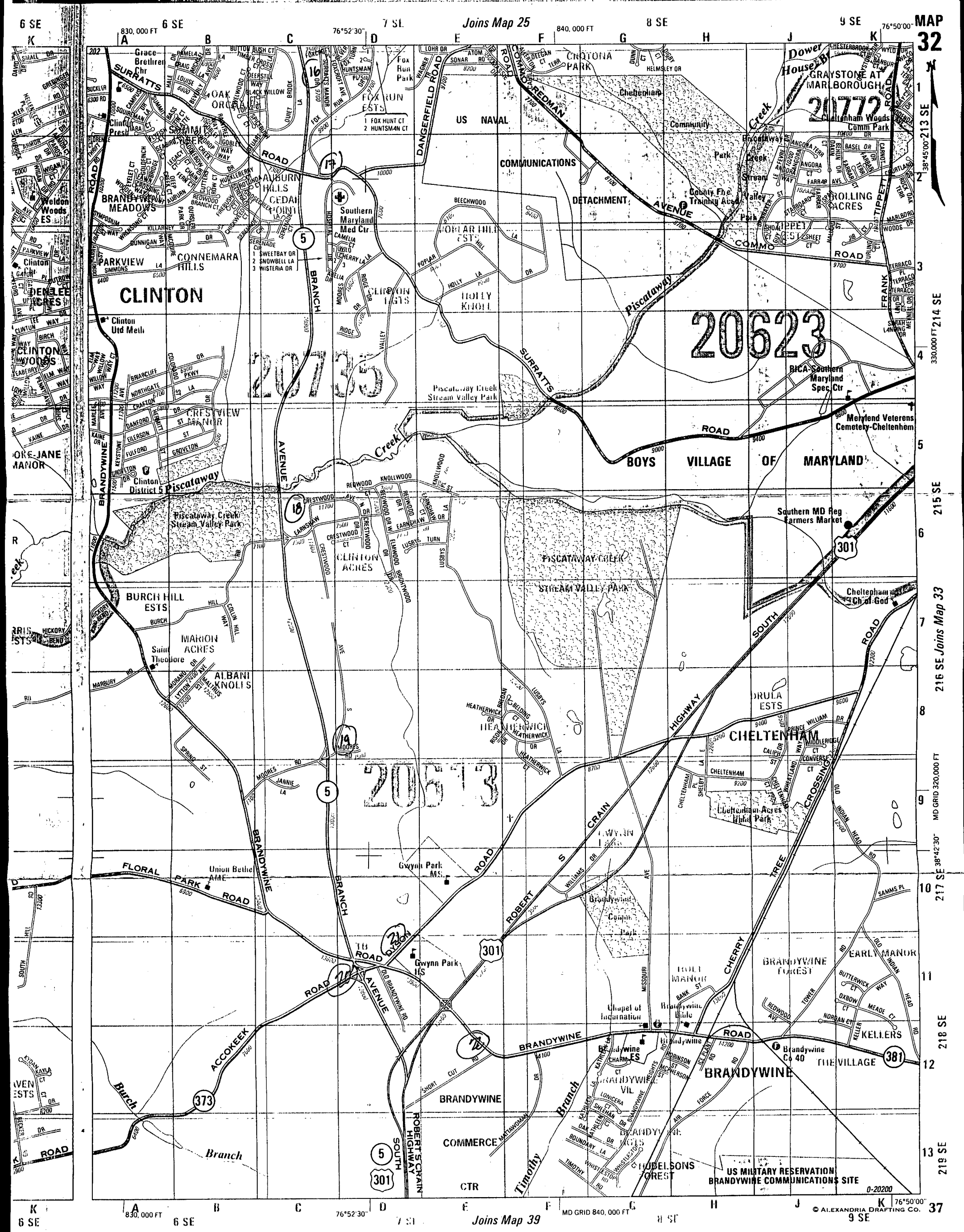


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Director

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Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, Office of Environmental Design, State
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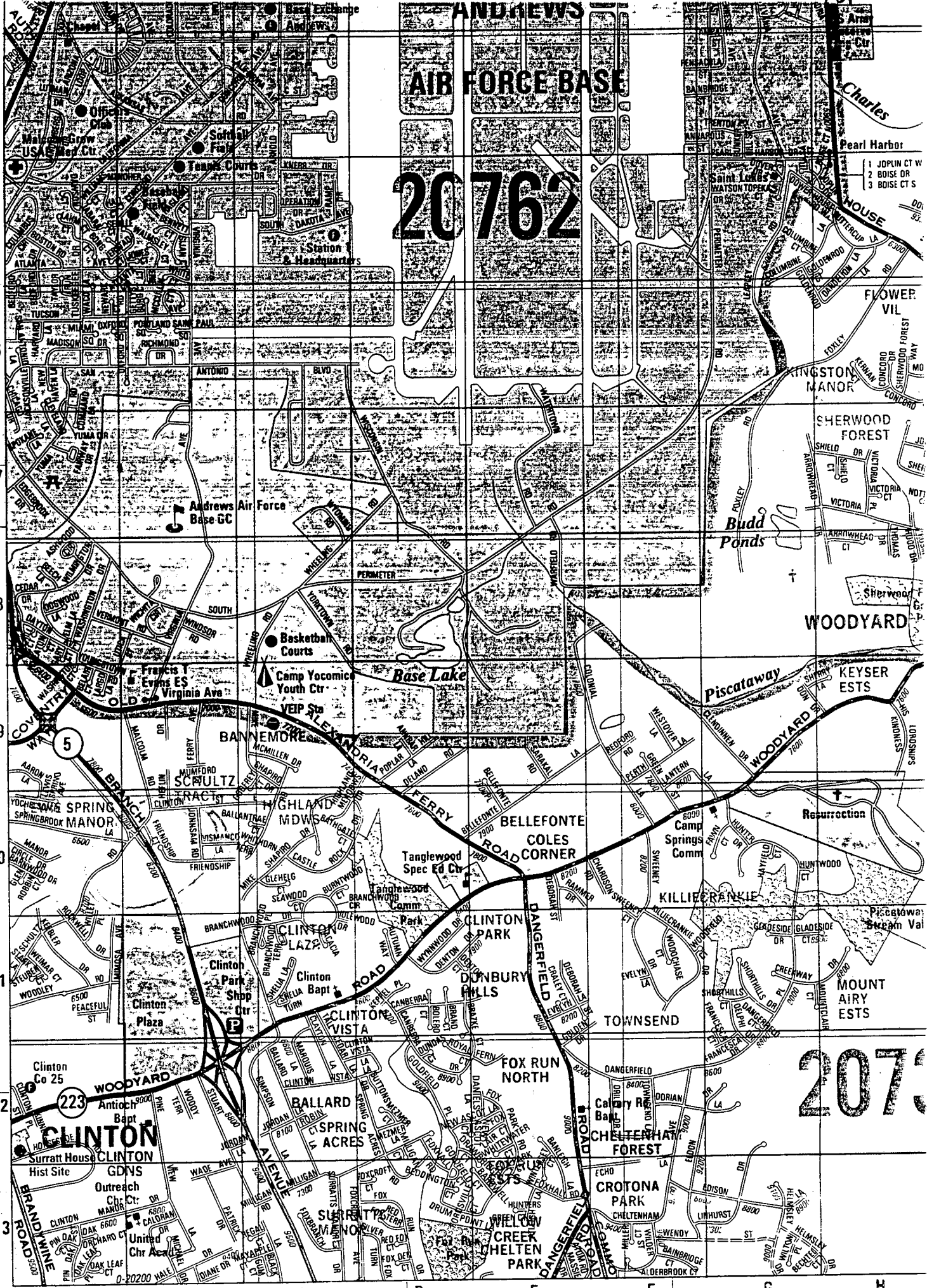
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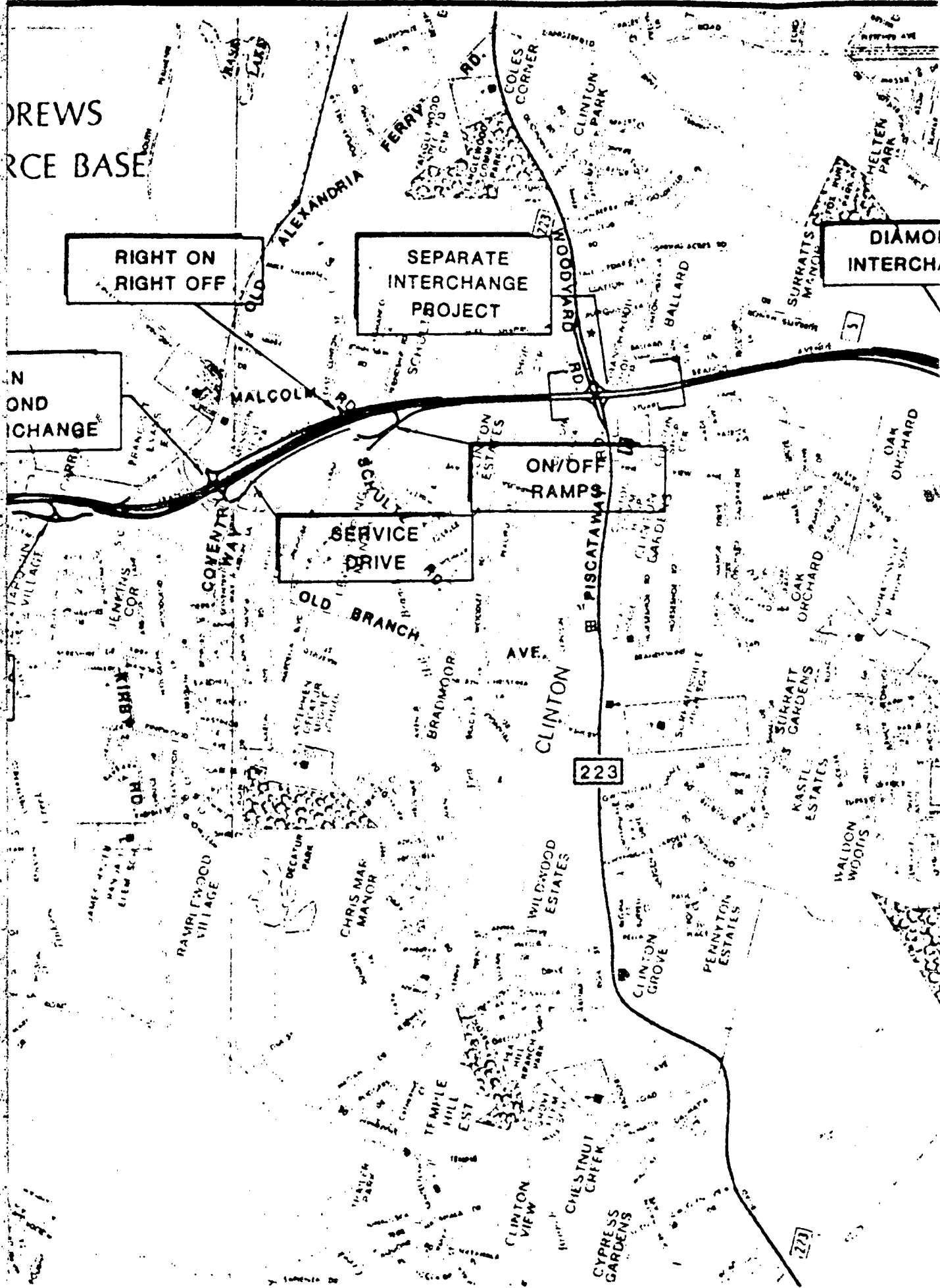
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ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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The purpose of this project is to upgrade eleven (11) miles of existing Md. Route 5 in order to control access, increase traffic capacity and enhance safety. The project is in conformance with Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission land use plans.

A No-Build Alternate and Build Alternate, with Options, were described in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (April 1985) and were presented at the Combined Location/Design Public Hearing (June 10, 1987). The Selected Action proposes the reconstruction of Md. Route 5 to upgrade the three at-grade intersections north of I-95, reconstruct the two existing interchanges (at I-95 and at U.S. Route 301) and construct six new interchanges.

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Andrews Air Force Base while below the road is a more natural stream with significant wetlands vegetation. Fox Run, a tributary to Piscataway Creek, crosses Md. Route 5 near Surratts Road. Where it crosses, and to the west of the highway, it is a very narrow stream channel, while to the east above a small dam, is a broad emergent and scrub/shrub wetland. The rest of the wetlands listed in Table III-12 are very narrow bands of pallustrine forested wetlands, bordering small perennial or intermittent streams. Dominant vegetation in these areas is red maple and sweet gum, with occasional black willow and sycamore.

Field, woodland and other habitat is limited because of development in the corridor, particularly in the northern portions of the study area. Wooded areas are shown on the base maps. Typical vegetation is broadleaved deciduous hardwoods, dominated by oaks, tulip poplars, with scattered shortleaf pines, hickories, American beech, black cherries and locusts. Red maple and flowering dogwood dominate the understory. Along the road edges are a variety of vines and herbaceous plants.

D. AIR QUALITY

The Maryland Route 5 project is within an air quality non-attainment area, which has transportation control measures in the State Implementation Plan (SIP). This project conforms with the SIP since it is included in a conforming transportation improvement program.

A detailed microscale air quality analysis to determine the carbon monoxide (CO) impact of the proposed project has been performed, and is described in detail in Section IV-D. Detailed information on the air quality analysis is presented in the Maryland Route 5 - Air Quality report. This report is available for review at the Maryland State Highway Administration, Project Development Division, 707 North Calvert Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

E. NOISE

1. Existing

Existing ambient noise levels were measured at 22 receptor sites; the results are presented in Table III-13. These measurements and sites are mapped on Figure IV-1 and described further in Section IV-E. Detailed information on the noise analysis study is presented in the Maryland Route 5 -Noise Analysis report. This report is available for review at the Maryland State Highway Administration, Project Development Division, 707 North Calvert Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

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In the noise assessment, noise levels are presented in terms of A-weighted equivalent sound level, abbreviated as Leq. The leq is a single number representing a fluctuating sound level accounting for sound energy over a specified time. The Leq units are A-weighted decibals (dBA). A-weighting refers to sound level measurement that approximated the response of the human ear, which de-emphasizes very high and low frequencies, emphasizing the mid-frequency range.

Noisy urban areas, high volume roads, or aircraft may have Leq over 70 dBA, while most residential areas range between 50 dBA and 70 dBA. Quiet rural or agricultural areas may experience ambient noise levels under 50 dBA. As shown in Table III-13, existing Leq along the Md. Route 5 study corridor range from 52 to 71 dBA. Sites nearer to Md. Route 5 experience higher noise levels.

Noise from aircraft arriving and departing Andrews Air Force Base is audible, if not dominant, along most of the study area. This noise does not generally cover-up roadway noise as it is often of short duration at sporadic intervals. Noise levels during these events can be quite high, in the 80-95 dBA range.

TABLE III-13
AMBIENT NOISE LEVELS

NOISE SENSITIVE AREAS: NUMBERS AND MEASUREMENT LOCATIONS (see Figure IV-1)	DISTANCE FROM CENTERLINE MD. RTE. 5	AMBIENT LEQ NOISE MEASUREMENTS (dBA) *		
		AM PEAK	OFF PEAK	PM PEAK
1 HENSON CREEK PARK West Of Md. Rte. 5	140'	-	58	58
2 RESIDENCE IN WOODLANE 4901 Braddock Road	170'	-	62	63
3 RESIDENCE IN BROADVIEW 5109 Henderson Road	580'	-	59	59
4 CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH 5203 Manchester Drive	180'	-	52	54
5 CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY RECTORY 5400 Old Branch Avenue	430'	-	62	65
6 GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH 5225 Manchester Drive	190'	53	52	-
7 RESIDENCE ON DEERPOND LANE East of Md. Rte. 5	110'	69	71	-
8 RESIDENCE @ 5700 CENTER DRIVE West Of Md. Rte. 5	150'	-	68	69

* For notes see following page

TABLE III-13
 AMBIENT NOISE LEVELS
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NOISE SENSITIVE AREAS: NUMBERS AND MEASUREMENT LOCATIONS (see Figure IV-1)	DISTANCE FROM CENTERLINE MD. RTE. 5	AMBIENT LEQ NOISE MEASUREMENTS (dBA) *		
		AM PEAK	OFF PEAK	PM PEAK
9 RESIDENCE @ 5807 PERRIE LANE East Of Md. Rte. 5	460'	57	57	-
10 APARTMENTS @ 4625 MAPLE COURT Andrews Air Force Base	250'	64	61	63
11 APARTMENTS @ 4079 YUMA ROAD Andrews Air Force Base	170'	67	66	66
12 PLAYGROUND ON OXON HILL COURT Andrews Air Force Base	420'	59	60	59
13 RESIDENCE IN TARQUIN VILLAGE 7115 Old Branch Avenue	240'	65	64	-
14 RESIDENCE @ 6706 SPRINGBROOK LANE West Of Md. Rte. 5 @ Schultz Rd.	220'	-	67	64
[15] RESIDENCE NEAR SCHULTZ ROAD [6800 Friendship Road]	120'	[69]	[68]	-
16 EDGE OF RIGHT OF WAY East Of Md. Rte. 5 - 2100' North Of Surratts Rd.	150'	65	66	-
17 RESIDENCE @ 7508 SURRATTS ROAD Opposite Southern Md. Hospital Center Entrance	610'	66	68	-
18 RESIDENCE @ 7400 CRESTWOOD AVE. North Of Earnshaw Drive	510'	63	57	-
19 RESIDENCE @ 7630 MOORE ROAD East Of Md. Rte. 5	340'	66	60	-
20 HUNTT RESIDENCE, 7500 ACCOKEEK RD. West Of Md. Rte. 5	380'	-	55	56
21 RESIDENCE @ 7708 DYSON ROAD Opposite Gwynn Park H.S. Entrance	860'	-	60	59
22 RESIDENCE @ 13811 OLD BRANDYWINE ROAD East Of Md. Rte. 5	300'	58	60	-

NOTES * AM PEAK - 6:30 - 9:30 AM
 OFF PEAK - 9:30 - 3:30
 PM PEAK - 3:30 - 6:00 PM

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2. Criteria for Evaluating Noise Impacts

Noise effects along Md. Route 5 are judged in accordance with Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) standards and Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA) guidelines. According to FHWA regulations (23CFR772 or FHPM 7-7-3) traffic noise impacts occur when:

"The predicted traffic noise levels approach or exceed the noise abatement criteria (see Table III-), or when the predicted traffic noise levels substantially exceed the existing noise levels."

Maryland SHA considers a 10 dBA or more increase above existing levels to represent a substantial increase over existing levels.

Noise-sensitive land uses along the Maryland Route 5 Study area fall under Activity Category B (see Table IV-7). Noise impacts occur if traffic-related Leq exceed existing "without aircraft" ambient levels by 10 dBA or more, or if Leq values in the design year, 2015, exceed 67 dBA.

See Section IV-E for a discussion of Noise Impacts.

F. CULTURAL RESOURCES

1. Historic Sites

Three historic sites are located in the southern portion of the study. None of these sites are presently listed on the National Register, although it is thought that they are potentially eligible (See letters in Correspondence).

a. Gay's Antiques (PG 85A-14)

A small one-story frame building originally built as a crossroads store, Gay's Antiques is located east of the Md. Route 5 - Brandywine Road intersection. Built in 1867, it was continuously operated as a general merchandise store in T.B. until being converted to an antique store in 1963. Retaining excellent integrity, it is significant as a palpable link to the early history of the town.

b. J. E. Hunt Residence (PG 85A-17)

The Hunt Residence, a large two-story frame residence with various outbuildings, is located west of the Maryland Route 5 - Accokeek Road intersection. The J. E. Hunt Residence, retaining considerable integrity, is significant architecturally for its form, which evolved over approximately

E. NOISE IMPACT ANALYSIS

1. Findings

A noise impact analysis was conducted for a total of 22 noise sensitive areas for the study area between north of I-95 to south of U.S. Rte. 301. No-Build and Build Alternates with options were evaluated for the design year 2015. As a result of this evaluation, 7 sites were identified as having predicted noise levels that either exceed FHWA Noise Abatement Criteria or result in at least 10dBA increase over existing levels. Due to the minor increases in noise levels predicted for the Build Alternate in comparison to the No-Build (see Table IV-6 and costs), and due to the barriers not being cost-effective to construct, noise barriers were determined to not be reasonable.

TABLE IV-6
SUMMARY: NOISE ANALYSIS

1. Range of existing Noise Levels, 1986, dBA (Leq)	52-71	
2. FHWA Noise Abatement Criteria for the predominant land use in the study area (see Table IV-7).	67	
3. Predicted range of Noise Levels at selected receptors in 2015, dBA	NO-BUILD 57-72	BUILD 58-73
4. Number of selected receptors exceeding FHWA Noise Abatement Criteria	4	7

Detailed information on the noise analysis study is presented in the Maryland Route 5 - Noise Analysis report. This report is available for review at the Maryland State Highway Administration, Project Development Division, 707 North Calvert Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

2. Noise Abatement Criteria

The Federal Highway Administration has established, through FHPM 7-7-3, maximum noise levels for various land uses (see Table IV-7). These levels are expressed in terms of an Leq noise level, which is the energy averaged noise level for a given period of time.

All ambient and predicted levels in this report are Leq exterior levels, except at receptors 4 and 6.

TABLE IV-7: NOISE ABATEMENT CRITERIA AND LAND USE RELATIONSHIPS

Activity Category	Noise Levels (dBA) L_{eq} (hr)*	Description of Activity Category
A	57 (Exterior)	Tracts of land where serenity and quiet are of extraordinary significance and serve an important public need, and where the preservation of those qualities is essential if the area is to continue to serve its intended purpose. Such areas could include amphitheaters, particular parks or portions of parks, open spaces or historic districts which are dedicated or recognized by appropriate local officials for activities requiring special qualities of serenity and quiet.
B	67 (Exterior)	Picnic areas, recreation areas, playgrounds, active sports areas, and parks which are not included in Category A and residences, motels, hotels, public meeting rooms, schools, churches, libraries, and hospitals.
C	72 (Exterior)	Developed lands, properties or activities not included in Categories A and B above.
D	--	For requirements on undeveloped lands see paragraphs 11a and 11c of FHPM 7-7-3.
E**	52 (Interior)	Residences, motels, public meeting rooms, schools, churches, libraries, hospitals and auditoriums.

* L_{eq} is the constant, average sound level, which, over a period of time, contains the same amount of sound energy as the varying levels of the traffic noise. L_{eq} for typical traffic conditions is usually about 3 dBA less than the L_{10} for the same conditions.

** For application of Noise Abatement Criteria levels see FHPM 7-7-3, 8c. d. and e.

3. Description of Noise Sensitive Areas

The 22 noise sensitive areas for which ambient noise levels were determined are presented in Table III-13. Noise levels were sampled during peak and off-peak traffic conditions. Fifteen (15) sites were residences, 3 were churches, 1 was a park, 1 was a historic site and 2 were playgrounds/undeveloped areas.

4. Predicted Noise Levels

The method used to predict the future noise levels produced by the No-Build and Build Alternates was developed by the Federal Highway Administration. The computer model derived from this method, called STAMINA 2.0, utilizes an experimentally and statistically determined reference sound level for three classes of vehicles (autos, medium duty trucks, and heavy duty trucks) and applies a series of adjustments to each reference level to arrive at the predicted sound level. The adjustments include (1) traffic flow corrections, taking into account number of vehicles, average vehicle speed, and a specific time period of consideration; and (2) an adjustment for various types of physical barriers that would reduce noise transmissions from source (roadway) to receiver.

The results of this analysis are presented in Table IV-8.

5. Noise Impact Assessment

The determination of environmental noise impact is based on the relationship between the predicted noise levels, the established noise abatement criteria and the ambient noise levels in the project area. The applicable standard is the Federal Highway Administration's Noise Abatement Criteria/Activity Relationship (see Table IV-7) published in FHPM 7-7-3.

When design year L_{eq} noise levels are projected to exceed the abatement criteria or increase ambient conditions by 10 dBA or more, noise abatement measures (in general, noise barriers) are considered to minimize impact. A 10 dBA increase is judged by most people to be a doubling of sound loudness. (This information is presented in the "Fundamentals and Abatement of Highway Traffic Noise" by Bolt Beranek & Newman, Inc., for FHWA, 1980). Consideration is based on the size of the impacted area (number of structures, spatial distribution of structures, etc.), the predominant activities carried on within the area, the visual impact of the control measure, practicality of construction, feasibility and reasonableness.

TABLE IV-8 - COMPARISON OF AMBIENT & PREDICTED Leq NOISE LEVELS

AMBIENT NOISE RECEPTOR NUMBERS AND MEASUREMENT LOCATIONS	DISTANCE FROM CENTERLINE MD. RTE. 5	AMBIENT LEQ NOISE MEASUREMENTS (dBA)	FHWA LAND USE CATEGORY & NOISE ABATEMENT CRITERIA	PREDICTED Leq FOR DESIGN YEAR 2015 (dBA)	
				NO-BUILD	BUILD* WITHOUT BARRIERS
1 HENSON CREEK PARK West Of Md. Rte. 5	140'	58	B 67	62	63
2 RESIDENCE IN WOODLANE 4901 Braddock Road	170'	62	B 67	66	<u>68</u>
3 RESIDENCE IN BROADVIEW 5109 Henderson Road	580'	59	B 67	62	63
4 CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH 5203 Manchester Drive	180'	52	E 52	<u>57</u>	<u>58</u>
5 CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY RECTORY 5400 Old Branch Avenue	430'	62	B 67	66	63
6 GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH 5225 Manchester Drive	190'	52**	E 52	<u>57**</u>	<u>58**</u>
7 RESIDENCE ON DEERPOND LANE East of Md. Rte. 5	110'	69	B 67	<u>72</u>	<u>73</u>
8 RESIDENCE @ 5700 CENTER DRIVE West Of Md. Rte. 5	150'	68	B 67	<u>68</u>	<u>69</u>
9 RESIDENCE @ 5807 PERRIE LANE East Of Md. Rte. 5	460'	57	B 67	57	58
10 APARTMENTS @ 4625 MAPLE COURT Andrews Air Force Base	250'	61	B 67	62	62
11 APARTMENTS @ 4079 YUMA ROAD Andrews Air Force Base	170'	66	B 67	67	<u>68</u>
12 PLAYGROUND ON OXON HILL COURT Andrews Air Force Base	420'	59	B 67	60	61
13 RESIDENCE IN TARQUIN VILLAGE 7115 Old Branch Avenue	240'	64	B 67	65	65
14 RESIDENCE @ 6706 SPRINGBROOK LANE West Of Md. Rte. 5 @ Schultz Rd.	220'	64	B 67	64	64
15 RESIDENCE NEAR SCHULTZ ROAD 6800 Friendship Road	120'	<u>68</u>	B 67	<u>70</u>	<u>70</u>

* FOR NOTES SEE FOLLOWING PAGE

TABLE IV-8 - COMPARISON OF AMBIENT & PREDICTED Leq NOISE LEVELS

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16 EDGE OF RIGHT OF WAY East Of Md. Rte. 5 - 2100' North Of Surratts Rd.	150'	65	D	-	68	69***
17 RESIDENCE @ 7508 SURRATTS ROAD Opposite Southern Md. Hospital Center Entrance	610'	66	B	67	62	63
18 RESIDENCE @ 7400 CRESTWOOD AVENUE North Of Earnshaw Drive	510'	57	B	67	60	60
19 RESIDENCE @ 7630 MOORE ROAD East Of Md. Rte. 5	340'	60	B	67	59	60
20 HUNTT RESIDENCE @ 7500 ACCOKEEK RD. West Of Md. Rte. 5	380'	55	B	67	58	60
21 RESIDENCE @ 7708 DYSON ROAD Opposite Gwynn Park H.S. Entrance	860'	59	B	67	61	61
22 RESIDENCE @ 13811 OLD BRANDYWINE ROAD East Of Md. Rte. 5	300'	58	B	67	58	61

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* PREDICTIONS FOR THE BUILD ALTERNATE REPRESENT NOISE IMPACTS PRIMARILY ASSOCIATED WITH THE WIDENING OF MD. RTE. 5. THE GEOMETRIC DIFFERENCES BETWEEN BUILD ALTERNATE OPTIONS, WERE EVALUATED AND CONSIDERED TO HAVE MINOR IMPACT.

** ESTIMATED INTERIOR NOISE LEVEL WITH WINDOWS OPEN, BUILDING NOT AIR CONDITIONED.

*** NO LAND USE CURRENTLY AT THIS LOCATION.

68 PREDICTED NOISE LEVEL EXCEEDS FHWA MAXIMUM PERMITTED Leq LEVEL FOR ASSIGNED LAND USE CATEGORY.

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The following receptor locations have Predicted Noise Levels for the design year (2015) that exceed the 67 dBA Noise Abatement Criteria for Land Use Category B.

Receptor No. & Location	No-Build	Build
2 Residence in Woodlane	66	68
4 Church of the Nativity Episcopal Church	57	58
6 Grace Baptist Church	57*	58*
Residence on Deerpond Lane	72	73
8 Residence @ 5700 Center Dr.	68	69
11 Apartments @ 4079 Yuma Rd.	67	68
15 Residence near Schultz Rd.	70	70

* Estimated interior noise level with windows open, building not air conditioned.

Although these 7 sites do not have design year noise increases of 10 decibels over ambient levels, they do exceed the FHWA Noise Abatement Criteria and therefore require additional consideration. During the design year, the predicted No-Build Leq Noise Level for each of these sites, except Site No. 2 (66 dBA), would equal or exceed the FHWA Noise Abatement Criteria. The Build Alternate would generate an additional 1 to 2 decibels at these locations. Noise barriers were considered as a mitigating measure for sites 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 11, & 15, but are not recommended for the following reasons. However, landscaping, earthberms and vegetative screening will be studied in the design phase of this project, particularly Sites #2, #7, #8 and #11.

Site No. 2 - Residence in Woodlane

- o Exceeds 67 dBA standard by 1 decibel
- o Impact of Build Alternate in the design year is minor (+2 dBA over No Build)
- o 2,900 L.F. of 12' barrier would cost \$939,600 to protect 20 homes at an average cost of \$46,980 per home.
- o Because the cost per residence exceeds \$40,000 and there is a minor increase in Build and No-Build noise levels in the design year this barrier is not considered reasonable.

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Site No. 4 - Church of the Nativity Episcopal Church

- o Exceeds 52 dBA (interior) standard by 6 decibel.
- o Impact of Build Alternate in the design year is minor (+1 dBA over No Build).
- o The church and two residences would be the only benefactors of a noise barrier at this location.
- o 1,400 L.F. of 12' barrier would cost \$453,600 to protect one church & 2 homes at an average cost of \$151,200 per site.
- o Closing windows during services would provide approximately 15 decibels of protection.
- o Church services generally do not occur during peak noise periods (weekday/rush hour).
- o Because the cost per residence exceeds \$40,000 and there is a minor increase in Build and No-Build noise levels in the design year this barrier is not considered reasonable.

Site No. 6 - Grace Baptist Church

- o Exceeds 52 dBA (interior) standard by 6 decibel.
- o Impact of Build Alternate in the design year is minor (+1 dBA over No Build).
- o Only the church would benefit from a noise barrier at this location.
- o 700 L.F. of 12' barrier would cost \$226,800 to protect this church.
- o Closing windows during services would provide approximately 15 decibels of protection.
- o Church services generally do not occur during peak noise periods (weekday/rush hour).
- o Because the cost for the church exceeds \$40,000 and there is a minor increase in Build and No-Build noise levels in the design year this barrier is not considered reasonable.

Site No. 7 - Residence on Deerpond Lane

- o Limited number of homes to benefit from a noise barrier.
- o 900 L.F. of 12' barrier would cost \$291,600 to protect 5 homes at an average cost of \$58,320 per home.
- o Because the cost per residence exceeds \$40,000 and there is a minor increase in Build and No-Build noise levels in the design year this barrier is not considered reasonable.

Site No. 8 - Residence on Center Drive

- o Exceeds 67 dBA standard by 2 decibel.
- o Impact of Build Alternate in the design year is minor (+1 dBA over No Build).
- o Limited number of homes would benefit from a noise barrier.
- o 700 L.F. of 12' barrier would cost \$226,800 to protect 4 homes at an average cost of \$56,700 per home.
- o Because the cost per residence exceeds \$40,000 and there is a minor increase in Build and No-Build noise levels in the design year this barrier is not considered reasonable.

Site No. 11 - Apartments at Andrews Air Force Base

- o Exceeds 67 dBA standard by 1 decibel.
- o Impact of Build Alternate in the design year is minor (+1 dBA over No-Build), especially in view of the "background" noise generated by aircraft at the air base.
- o Limited number of residences would benefit from a noise barrier.
- o 1,200 L.F. of 12' barrier would cost \$388,800 to protect 8 residential buildings at an average cost of \$48,600 per building.
- o Because the cost per building exceeds \$40,000 and there is a minor increase in Build and No-Build noise levels in the design year this barrier is not considered reasonable.

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(Site No. 15) - Residence in Schultz Road area on Friendship road

- o Exceeds 67 dBA standard by 3 decibels.
- o Predicted No-Build and Build noise levels are the same.
- o Limited number of homes would benefit from a noise barrier.
- o 430 L.F. of 9' barrier (on retaining wall)
850 L.F. of 12' barrier would cost \$379,890 to protect 8 homes at an average cost of \$47,486 per home. However, reduction of this cost might be possible because the weall would be built on top of a retaining wall; this will be investigated during final design.
- o Because the cost per residence exceeds \$40,000 and there is a minor increase in Build and No-Build noise levels in the design year this barrier is not considered reasonable.

Again, although noise barriers are not considered reasonable, partial mitigation through the use of landscaping will be considered in the final design of the project.

6. Construction Impacts

As with any major construction project, areas around the construction site are likely to experience varied periods and degrees of noise impact. This type of project would probably employ the following pieces of equipment that would likely be sources of construction noise:

Bulldozers and Earth Movers
Graders
Front End Loaders
Dump and Other Diesel Trucks
Compressors

Generally, construction activity would occur during normal working hours on weekdays. Therefore, noise intrusion from construction activities probably would not occur during critical sleep or outdoor recreating periods.

Maintenance of construction equipment will be regular and thorough to minimize noise emissions because of inefficiently tuned engines, poorly lubricated moving parts, poor or ineffective muffling systems, etc.



Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr., *Governor*
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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

March 25, 2003

The Honorable John Adams Hurson
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Dear Delegate Hurson:

This responds to your recent letter, to State Highway Administration (SHA) District Engineer Charlie K. Watkins, on behalf of your constituent, Mr. William Kaplan. Mr. Kaplan had inquired about the status of the sound barrier for the Forest Glen Park community, which is located along eastbound I-495 between Stoneybrook Drive and the Linden Lane Bridge, in Montgomery County. I appreciate the opportunity to address Mr. Kaplan's concerns.

Construction on the Forest Glen Park barrier has begun. The contractor, Cianbro Corporation, has been given Notice to Proceed, and the preliminary phases of work are underway. A construction trailer has been located on the ramp from westbound I-495 to northbound Connecticut Avenue (MD 185). Mr. Brian Boyer, SHA's Project Engineer, is on site, and the telephone number at the trailer is 301-933-4647. Measures are being taken to maintain traffic during construction, including the placement of temporary concrete jersey barriers along the perimeter of the construction area. Clearing operations began on Monday, March 24. We anticipate that the sound barrier will take approximately one year to complete.

My telephone number/toll-free number is **410-545-0400 or 1-800-206-0770**
Maryland Relay Service for Impaired Hearing or Speech 1.800.735.2258 Statewide Toll Free

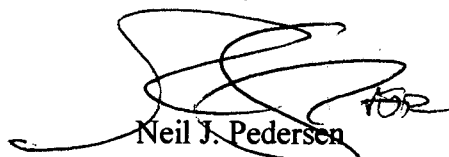
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The Honorable John Adams Hurson
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Thank you for your letter and continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Watkins at 301-513-7311 or cwatkins@sha.state.md.us. He will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should never hesitate to contact me directly, if you prefer.

Sincerely,



Neil J. Pedersen
Acting Administrator

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Serial #: None

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Noise Customer #: 2404

Responding to letter dated: Follow-up to 03-14-2003 letter from Del. Hurson to Dist. Eng. Charlie Watkins on behalf of his constituents, Mr. and Mrs. William T. Kaplan, 2907 Covington Road, Silver Spring MD, requesting status of the sound barrier project; Mr. Ted Severe, OED/NAT Admin/ Asst., contacted Mr. Boyer on 03-20-2003 and learned that MOT temporary jersey barriers are in place along the project area along I-495 and that the required guardrail and right-of-way fencing have been removed for the duration of the project; clearing operations in the allowed area are to begin on Monday, 03-24-2003 (the project was unable to be worked on during late Feb and early March 2003 due to snow removal, etc.)

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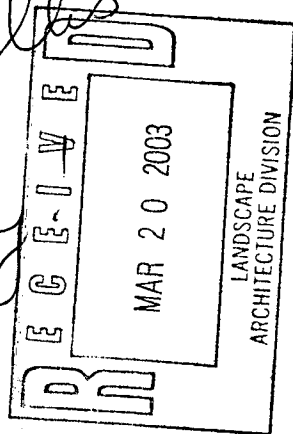
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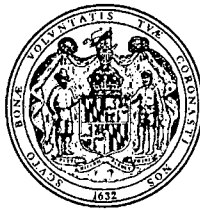
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Jim said to
 work with Gary
 on this response

Thanks,
 Irene



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JOHN ADAMS HURSON

CHAIRMAN

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161 Lowe House Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401-1991
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March 14, 2003

Mr. Charlie K. Watkins
State Highway Administration
Maryland Department of Transportation
9200 Kenilworth Avenue
Greenbelt, MD 20770

RE: UPDATE ON SOUND BARRIER FOR FOREST GLEN COMMUNITY

Dear Mr. Watkins:

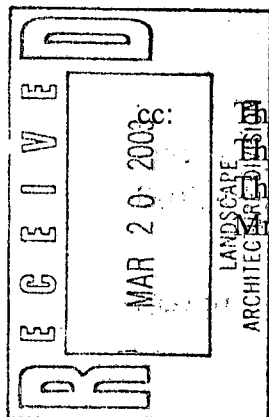
I have been contacted by Mr. William K. Kaplan, one of my constituents in District 18, who has asked for an update on the planned sound barrier along the inner loop of I-495 in Forest Glen community. By virtue of this letter, I would appreciate it if you could please provide me an update on the construction of this project.

As you recall, Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director, Office of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration, indicated in a letter dated October 9, 2002 that construction of the sound barrier was scheduled to begin in the spring of 2003 (copy enclosed). Despite the present fiscal constraints, we were hoping that this project was moving forward as scheduled.

Could you please provide me with an update on the sound barrier project for the Forest Glen community? Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

John A. Hurson



The Hon. Sharon Grosfeld, State Senate, District 18
The Hon. Ana Sol Gutierrez, House of Delegates, District 18
The Hon. Richard Madaleno, House of Delegates, District 18
William T. Kaplan, 2907 Covington Road, Silver Spring, MD 20910-1207

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**Maryland Department of Transportation
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October 9, 2002

Mr. and Mrs. William T. Kaplan
2907 Covington Road
Silver Spring MD 20910-1207

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Kaplan:

This is a follow-up to our April 19 letter to the Forest Glen Park community in Montgomery County, regarding the planned sound barrier project along the inner loop of I-495. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with this update.

This project was advertised for construction last week and we anticipate construction to begin in the Spring of 2003. Once construction begins, there will be a local construction office and an on-site SHA project engineer who will be happy to answer construction-related questions. If you have any questions about the location of the construction office and the project engineer, please contact the SHA District Office of Construction at 301-513-7336 after January 1, 2003. They will be happy to assist you.

Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Nicole Ross, at 410-545-8616 or 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at nross@sha.state.md.us. She also will be happy to assist you

Sincerely,

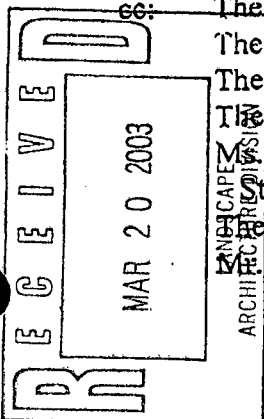
Charles B. Adams
Director
Office of Environmental Design

cc: The Honorable Donell Peterman, Member, Montgomery County Council
The Honorable Leon G. Billings, Member, Maryland House of Delegates
The Honorable Sharon M. Grosfeld, Member, Maryland House of Delegates
The Honorable John Adams Hurson, Member, Maryland House of Delegates
Ms. Nicole Ross, Special Assistant to the Director, Office of Environmental Design,
State Highway Administration
The Honorable Christopher Van Hollen, Jr., Member, Senate of Maryland
Mr. Charlie K. Watkins, District Engineer, State Highway Administration

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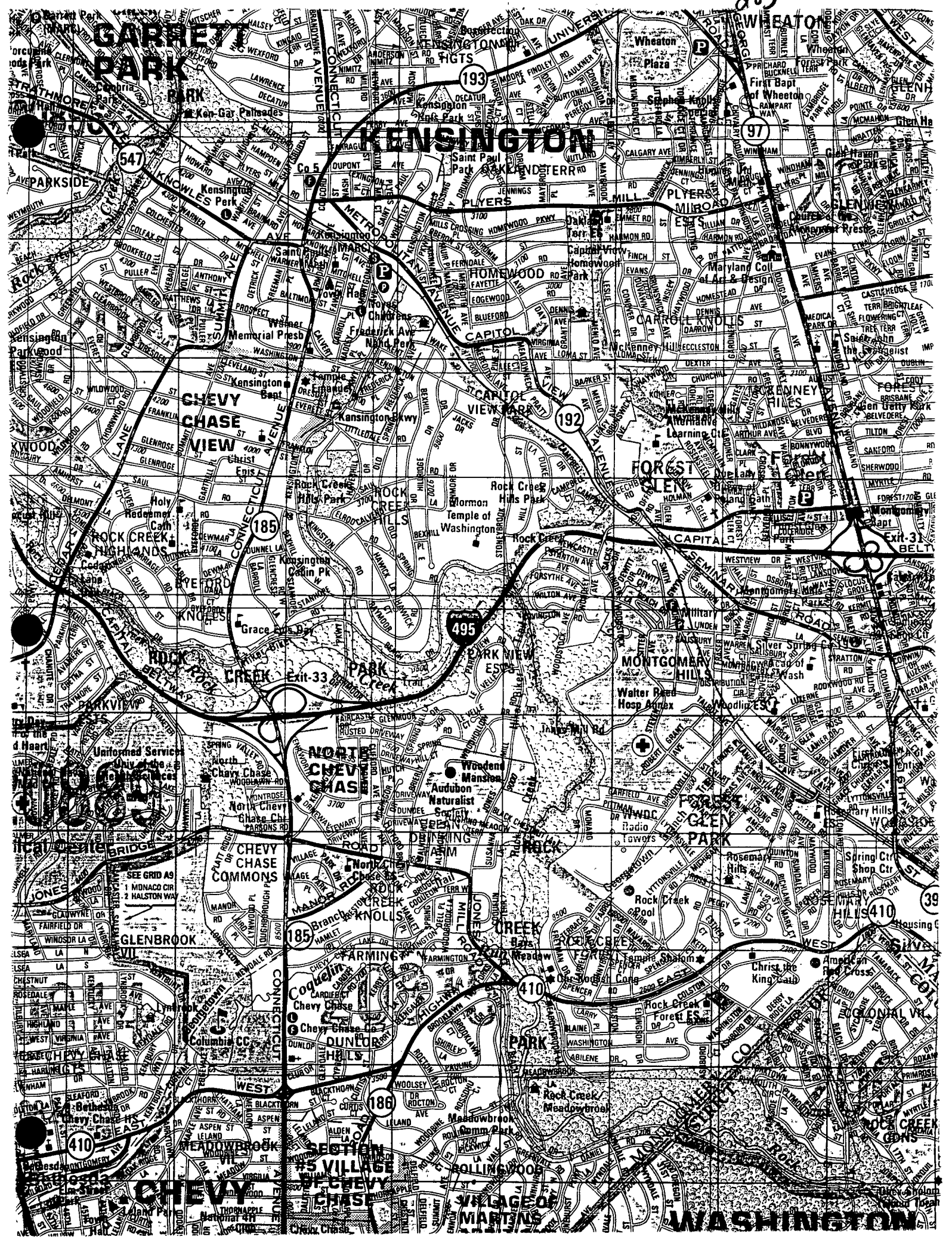
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STREET#	STREET NAME		COUNTY	CITY (Post office)	ZIP CODE	Representative stat	
2907	Covington Road		MO	Silver Spring	20910-1207	private	
Elected Official whom has communicated directly to us on this cu				Del. John Adams Hurson			
DAY PHONE		HOME PHONE		E-Mail address		COMMUNITY	
		301-562-6111		ccclancy2@compus		Forest Glen Park	
Logical Project Limit			ROADWAY: I-495		Barrier Nam		
inner loop I-495 from Stoneybrook Dr to east of Linden La o/pass							
RESPONSE: 11				INQUIRY:		2nd Contact	
				confirm 6/11/2001 meeting; appreciates SHA's efforts to help community			
				Last Conta		Researcher	
				04/23/2002		Primary SHA Contact	
						Construction Projects	
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						n/a	
LAST action:							
3-20-03 Rec'd letter from Del. Hurson via D-3 DE Watkins; wants status update of project; trailer located on ramp from WB I-495 to NB Conn Av; PE is Brian Boyer @ 301-933-4647; Ted Severe called trailer; MOT underway, clearing to begin 3/24/03							
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03/2003 EO's Dist. 18 Sen. Sharon M. Grosfeld; Dels. Ana Sol Gutierrez; Richard S. Madaleno, Jr.; John Adams Hurson; MO Cnd Tom Perez							
10-2-02 Mr. Kaplan called; spoke w/Ted Severe; would like to know reason for most recent delay in getting project started; asked for Gary Wantz to call him back							
4-23-02 Mr. Kaplan called; spoke w/Ted Severe; thanked SHA and Jim Hade for all the good work being done for the community with the sound barrier project; thanked also for sending letter giving status of project and construction schedule							
05/24/01 Mr. Kaplan appreciates what SHA is doing for the community and will encourage his neighbors to approve the barrier plans							
05/24/01 Mr. Kaplan called to confirm meeting, altho was not invited, would attend 6/11 mtg to cheer on neighbors; Comm. Ass'n. sent fliers around to encourage attendance at mtg.; Mr. Kaplan said he would also encourage attendance at meeting							
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Owner Information

Owner Name: CLANCY, CAROLYN M &
WILLIAM T KAPLAN
Use: RESIDENTIAL
Principal Residence: YES
Mailing Address: 2907 COVINGTON RD
SILVER SPRING MD 20910-1207
Deed Reference: 1) /17385/ 78
2)

Location & Structure Information

Premises Address 2907 COVINGTON RD
SILVER SPRING 20910
Zoning R90
Legal Description FOREST GLEN PARK

Map	Grid	Parcel	Sub District	Subdivision	Section	Block	Lot	Group	Plat No: Plat Ref:
HP62				7		7	5	80	
Special Tax Areas			Town Ad Valorem Tax Class	38					
Primary Structure Built			1903	Enclosed Area	2,376 SF	Property Land Area	16,678.00 SF	County Use	111
Stories	2	Basement	NO	Type	STANDARD UNIT	Exterior	FRAME		

Value Information

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		01/01/2001	07/01/2002	07/01/2003
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Improvements:	270,000	286,480		
Total:	350,000	392,310	378,206	392,310
Preferential Land:	0	0	0	0

Transfer Information

Seller: HIMELFARB, GARY A ET AL
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Price: \$425,000
Deed2:
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Type: IMPROVED ARMS-LENGTH
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Exemption Information

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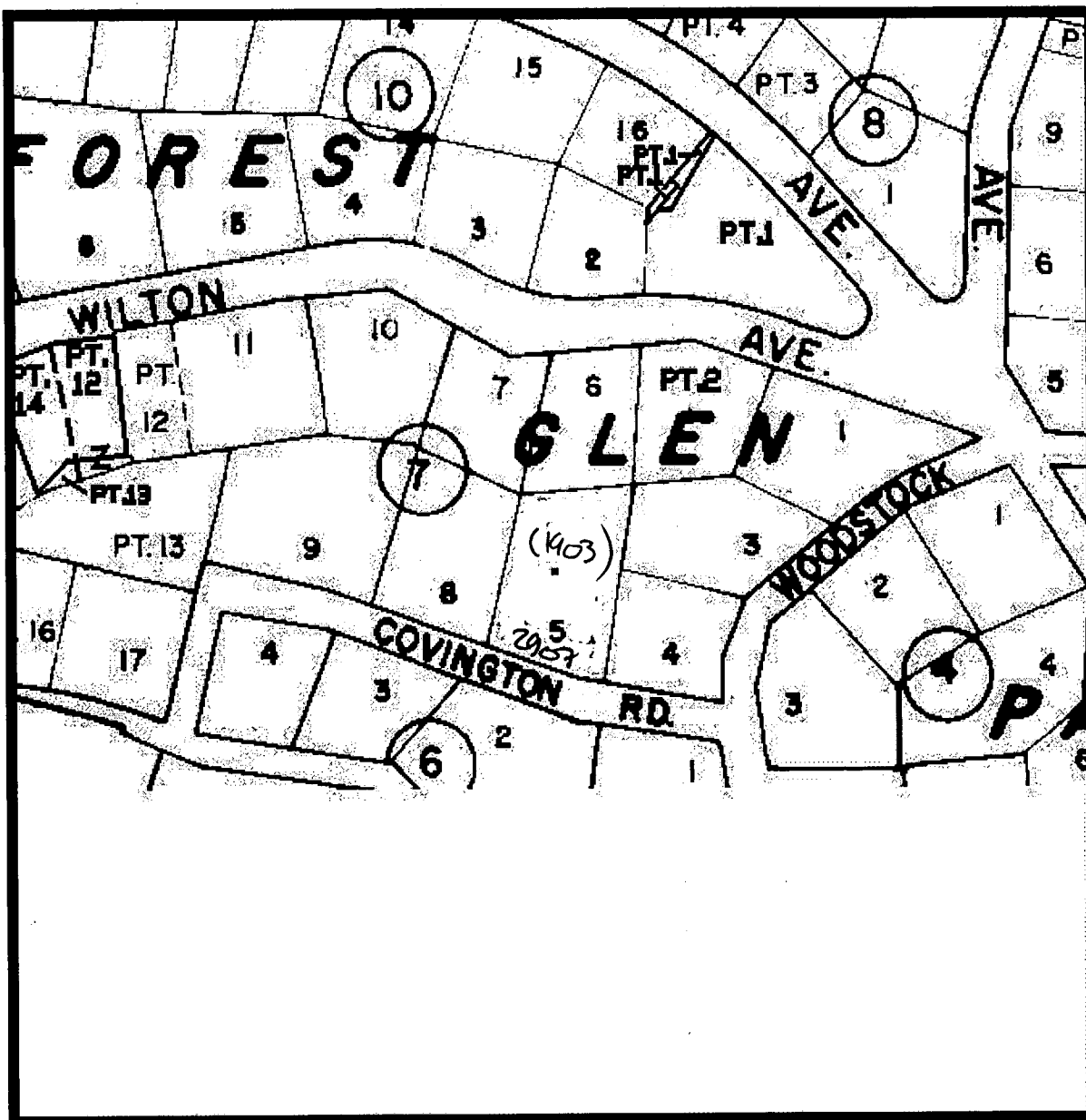
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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

July 1, 2003

Mr. James M. Irvin
Director, Howard County
Department of Public Works
3430 Court House Drive
Ellicott City, MD. 210453-4392

Dear Mr. Irvin:

The State Highway Administration (SHA) and Howard County conducted a meeting on April 24, 2003 with Mr. Don Lieu, Chief of Utility Design Division, Howard County Department of Public Works (DPW), Mr. Jeffrey K. Welty, Deputy Chief, DPW, Mr. James D. Hade, SHA Noise Abatement Team Leader, and Mr. Gary Wantz, SHA Noise Abatement Team Project Manager.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss Howard County's concerns with the possible isolation of the existing 36-inch water main as a result of the proposed sound barrier construction adjacent to the Allview Estates community. The proposed project is located along northbound US 29 between Seneca Drive and Broken Land Parkway.

The Right of Way of Through Highway is in line with the BGE overhead utility poles located in the existing median between northbound US 29 and Shaker Drive. The State proposes the location of the sound barrier to be along the west edge of Shaker Drive to minimize impacts to utilities. The sound barrier will also be protected by a new concrete jersey barrier on the Shaker Drive side.

Previously, Howard County engineers had requested that the State relocate the water main to the community side of the proposed sound barrier. Since this option would have been cost prohibitive, State and County officials worked together for a compromise. The County requested that the State consider removing the existing jersey barrier and regrade part of the right-of-way along the highway in order for the County to be able to gain emergency access to the existing water line from the highway shoulder. The State agreed to this solution and, from the meeting, the following was agreed upon to allow Howard County to be able to maintain access to their existing water line and for SHA to be able to continue with the design and construction of the proposed sound barrier for the Allview Estates community:

- The State will collect test pit information over the water line at locations identified by Howard County.
- The State will remove the existing jersey barrier along US 29 adjacent to the existing water main and will install curb and gutter with traffic barrier (guard rail) sections that can be easily removed and replaced using a backhoe for emergency access.
- The State will provide landscape plantings behind but not on top of the water line along northbound US 29.

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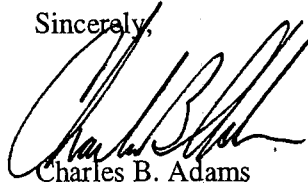
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- The County requested that the State investigate the feasibility of raising all lower utility lines on the existing poles in the median in order for a backhoe to be able to maneuver. The State will obtain an estimate from the utility companies to raise utility lines and allow Howard County to decide whether to proceed with the relocations, at the County's expense, prior to the start of construction.
- The State will provide double doors at water main crossing locations for emergency pipe maintenance.
- The State will provide regular emergency doors and/or hydrants as recommended by Howard County Emergency Services.
- The State will provide for the relocation of two existing fire hydrants to the east side of Shaker Drive at locations indicated by Howard County.

Thank you for considering these design accommodations that will provide a cost savings to both Howard County and SHA on this project. Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns at 410-545-8640 or 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at cadams@sha.state.md.us.

Sincerely,



Charles B. Adams

Director

Office of Environmental Design

cc: Mr. Ali Chaharbaghi, Bridge Design, State Highway Administration
Mr. Benjamin Gilardi, Bridge Design, State Highway Administration
James D. Hade, RLA, Noise Abatement Team Leader, Office of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
Mr. Robert L. Fisher, District Engineer, State Highway Administration
Mr. Ronald Lepson, Chief, Bureau of Engineering, Howard County Department of Public Works
Mr. Don Lieu, Chief, Utility Design Division, Howard County Department of Public Works
Mr. John Nesbitt, District Utility Engineer, State Highway Administration
Mr. Gary Wantz, Project Manager, Noise Abatement Team, Office of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
Mr. Jeffrey K. Welty, Deputy Chief, Utility Design Division, Howard County Department of Public Works

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bcc: Ms. Nicole Ross, Special Assistant to the Director, Office of Environmental Design, State
Highway Administration
Ms. Nanette M. Schieke, State Legislative Officer, Maryland Department of Transportation
Mr. T.E. Severe, Administrative Assistant, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway
Administration

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Responding to letter dated: Follow-up to 04-24-2003 meeting between Howard County DPW
personnel and SHA Noise Team personnel

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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May 1, 2003

Mr. James M. Irvin
Director
Howard County Department of Public Works
3430 Court House Drive
Ellicott City MD 21043-4392

Dear Mr. Irvin:

This is a follow-up to your recent letter on behalf of Ms. Nina Su Yong Song, who is building a home at 14708 Susan Marie Way in Woodbine, Howard County and who is concerned about highway traffic noise near her home and the performance of the sound barrier provided by the developer, Pulte Home Corporation. I appreciate the opportunity to provide the following information.

The State Highway Administration (SHA) considers the need for sound barriers in two circumstances, designated "Type I" and "Type II." In "Type I" situations, barriers are considered when a new highway is being built or an existing highway is being expanded. At this time, we have no plans to improve this portion of I-70 that would warrant a Type I sound barrier evaluation. If such a project were planned for this segment of I-70, however, we would analyze the impact of the proposed improvements on projected future noise levels. We would, specifically, determine whether future highway noise levels will equal or exceed the impact threshold of 66-decibels. If so, then we would also determine whether the highway noise would be at least three-decibels higher than it would have been if the highway were not improved. A three-decibel increase is required because the human ear only begins to discern a change in noise levels if the change is between three and five-decibels. The homes that would be impacted by any such increase in highway noise would also have to predate the approval of the highway improvements. If these conditions were met, we would then determine whether we could reduce the excess noise levels for a reasonable cost.

When a highway already exists and is *not* being expanded—so that Type I criteria do not apply—a community that predates the original highway may be considered for a "Type II," or "retrofit," barrier. The intent of the Type II program is to address areas of noise impact along highways that were built before environmental analyses became a part of the highway development process. All of the following technical criteria must be met for a Type II barrier to be approved: the majority of impacted homes must predate the highway; existing noise levels must equal or exceed the 66-decibel impact threshold; and an effective barrier must be able to be built for \$50,000 or less per benefited home. If these criteria are met, the county in which the community is located must have an ordinance that addresses the impact of noise on new residential development, and the county must agree to fund 20 percent of the barrier cost.

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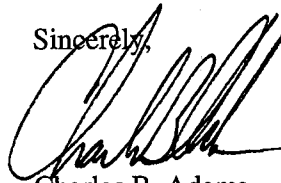
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The property, 14708 Susan Marie Way, is part of the McCann Estates community currently under development by the Pulte Home Corporation, 1501 South Edgewood Street, Baltimore, Maryland. The developer has provided a sound barrier for the new homes in this community along westbound I-70 under the oversight of Howard County's Department of Planning and Zoning and their sub-division regulations. The McCann Estates community cannot be considered for a Type II sound barrier as outlined above because it postdates the 1969 opening of I-70.

Thank you for your letter on behalf of Ms. Su Yong Song. If you have additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Nicole Ross, of our staff, at 410-545-8616 or 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at nross@sha.state.md.us. She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,



Charles B. Adams
Director
Office of Environmental Design

cc: The Honorable Gail H. Bates, Member, Maryland House of Delegates
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Ms. Nina Su Yong Song

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Responding to letter dated: Follow-up to 04-23-2003 letter from Mr. Irvin to Mr. Charles Adams on behalf of Ms. Nina Su Yong Song; Ms. Su Yong song and her husband are building a home at 14708 Susan Marie Way, Woodbine, Howard County; Ms. Su Yong Song wrote to HO Co Exec. James Robey stating: "My husband and I are currently building a house in Western Howard County. Part of our community (McCann Estates) is only 80 yards from I-70 and the builder's sound wall is not very effective in mitigating the sound from I-70. Per State Highway Administration, there are only plans to build large sound wall in existing communities in Howard County. Can you please tell me how that decision was made and if there are ways to petition that decision?"

In a telephone call to the developer, Pulte Homes, Mr. Ted Severe learned that Ms. Su Yong Song and Dr. Phong Pham, her husband, have not yet closed on the home under construction at 14708 Susan Marie Way. The McCann Estates is so new that the streets in the community, Susan Marie Way and McCann Farm Road, do not yet register with the USPS for Woodbine, MD 21797. These homes are listed in the Real Property System listing for the two streets but no properties have yet to revert to the possession of new owners; they are all listed as being owned by Pulte Home Corporation

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

James M. Irvin, Director

April 23, 2003

Mr. Charles Adams
Maryland State Highway Administration
707 North Calvert Street
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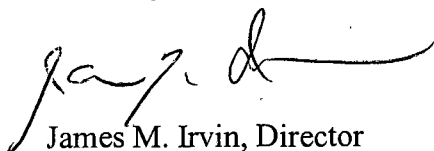
SUBJECT: Request for Sound Barriers

Dear Mr. Adams:

Reference is made to the attached letter to the County Executive received April 22, 2003 from Nina Su Yong Song. Ms. Song is concerned that the home she is having built is close to I70 and yet does not qualify for a State sound barrier. She would like to know if it is possible to petition that decision. Since I70 is under the jurisdiction of the State Highway Administration, I am requesting that your office review this matter and advise me of the results of your review.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please call me at 410-313-4401.

Sincerely,


James M. Irvin, Director
Department of Public Works

Attachment

cc: Nina Su Yong Song
James N. Robey

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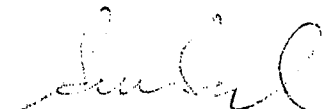
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HOWARD COUNTY
EXECUTIVE

Re: Sound Wall Construction in Howard County

Dear Mr. Robey

My husband and I are currently building a house in Western Howard County. Part of our community (McCann Estates) is only 80 yards from I-70 and the builder's sound wall is not very effective in mitigating the sound from I-70. Per State Highway Administration, there are only plans to build large sound walls in existing communities in Howard County. Can you please tell me how that decision was made and if there are ways to petition that decision? Thank you in advance for your time regarding this matter.


Nina Su Yong Song
House of Asia-Owner
8815 Baltimore National Pike
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Elected Official whom has communicated directly to us on this cu						
DAY PHONE	HOME PHONE	E-Mail address	COMMUNITY			
410-480-5100			McCann Estates			
Logical Project Limit	ROADWAY	I-70	Barrier Nam			
WB I-70 just west of the I-70/MD interchange						
RESPONSE	INQUIRY			2nd Contact		
Response to Mr. Irvin: described Type I & II criteria; no plans to warrant Type I eval for I-70; comm under construction; developer provided barrier per county ord; not eligible for Type II - postdates I-70				claims builder-provided sound barrier for new development not effective; wants State to fix		
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4-23-03 Mr. James M. Irvin wrote to SHA/OED on behalf of Ms. Su Yong Song requesting a review of her situation (building home along I-70 near MD 97; claims builder's sound wall not effective; wants State to build a better barrier)						
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04-2003 EO's Dist. 9A Sen. Robert H. Kittleman; Dels. Gail H. Bates; Warren E. Miller; HO Cncl Allan Kittleman						
04-28-2003 Ms. Su Yong Song and husband, Dr. Phong Pham have contracted with Pulte Home Corporation, 1501 South Edgewood Street, Baltimore MD 21227/410-644-3013, to build home at 14708 Susan Marie Way, Woodbine MD 21797; According to Pulte Home Corp. Cust. Svc. Rep, Mr. Mike Webb, the property under construction has not yet reached closing; noise study for Pulte Home Corp for this development was Mr. Ron Wildman (NAT Cust. 2534)						
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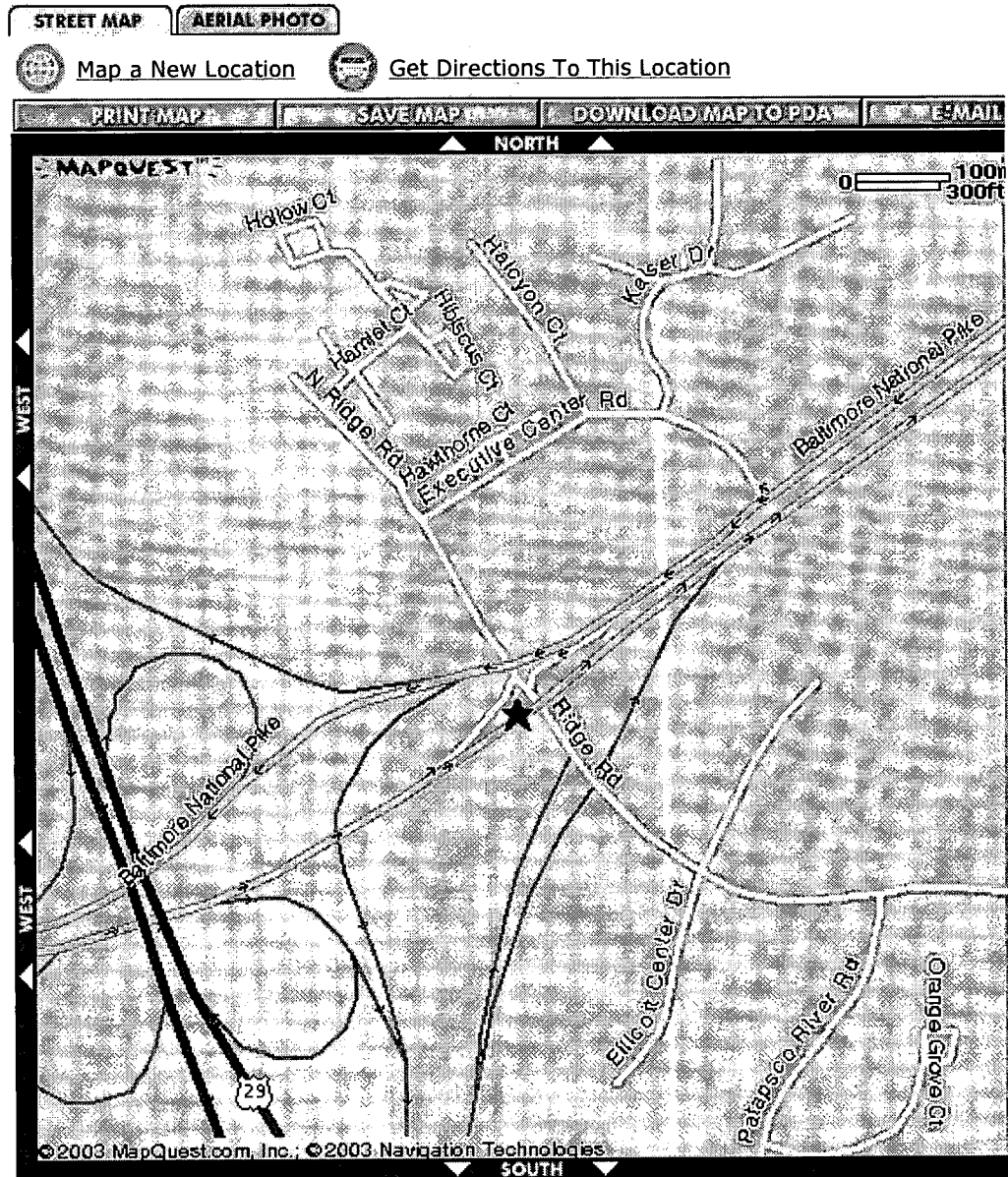
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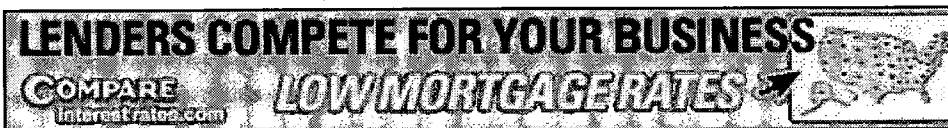
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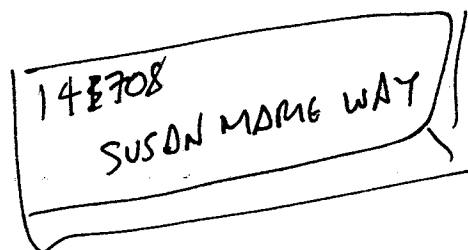
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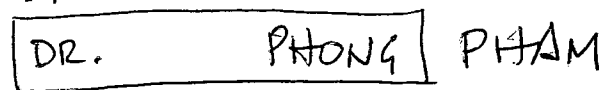
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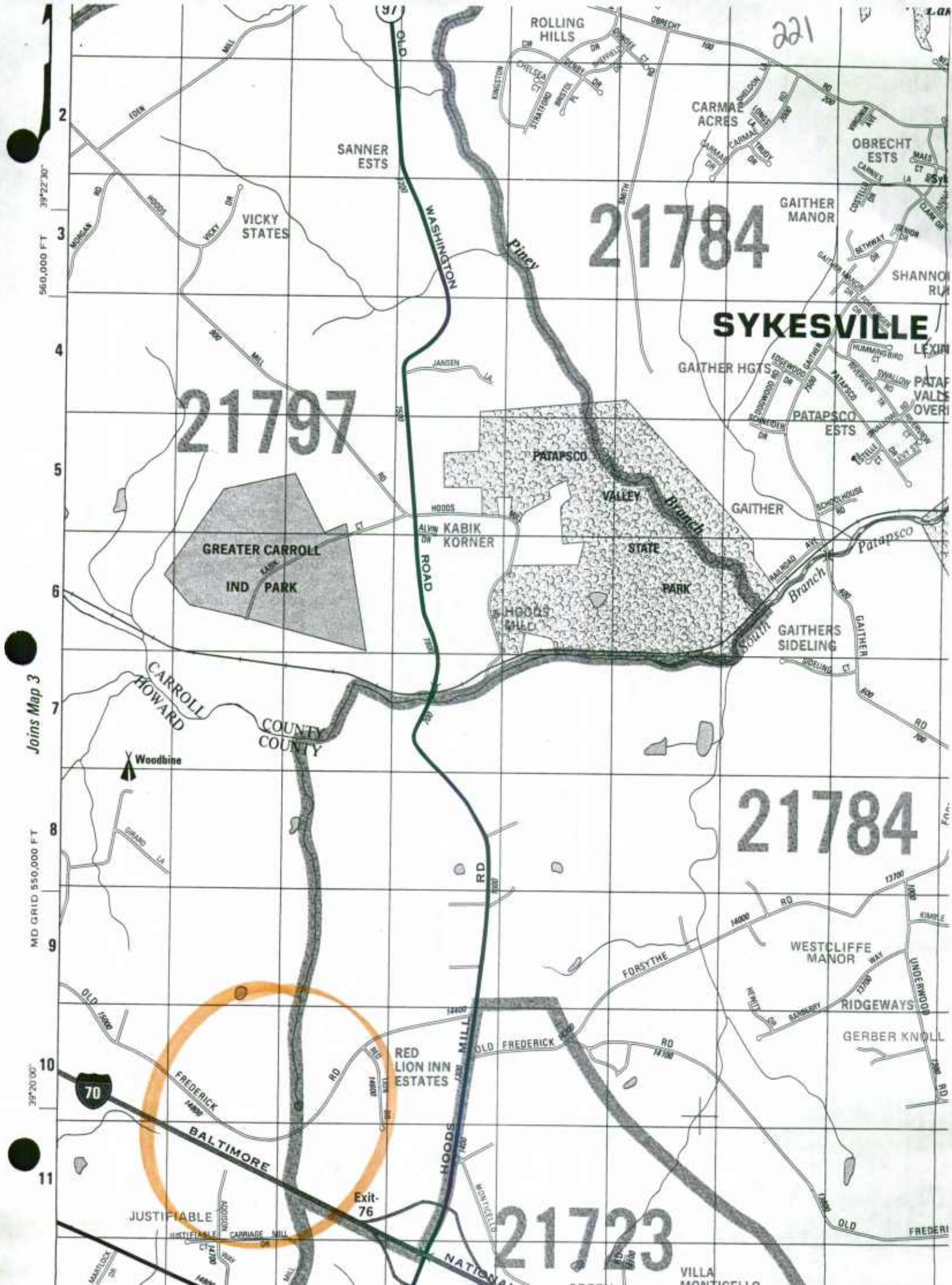


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ID #	MAP	DATE	Letter or Phone on	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	Active?	
2534		01/18/2002	Phone	WILDMAN	Mr. Ronald	<input type="checkbox"/>	
STREET#	STREET NAME		COUNTY	CITY (Post office)	ZIP CODE	Representative stat	
4747	Bonnie Branch Road		HO	Ellicott City	21043-6809	private	
Elected Official whom has communicated directly to us on this cu							Find Next
DAY PHONE		HOME PHONE		E-Mail address		COMMUNITY	
410-869-9999						Columbia Rd at St. Johns Lane; High Ridge	
Logical Project Limit			ROADWAY		Barrier Nam		
US 29 SB from Frederick Rd to MD 103; I-95 NB from Riverhill Rd to I-95/MD216 interch							
RESPONSE: 1				INQUIRY:		2nd Contact	
				Last Conta		Researcher	
				01/18/2002		Primary SHA Contact	
						Construction Projects	
FILE LOCATION:				OTHER:		Current commitm	
						Jim	
Do we owe a letter?				Letter Commit due da		Letter signed dat	
						Reason Letter is Lat	
LAST action						n/a	
1-18-02 provided prelim barrier hghts/align for US29 barrier; also requested info on barrier for High Ridge (under design)							
Comments: This field can not be sorted or searched..							
OPPE or Hwy rep current type 1							
01/2002 EO's Dist. 13A Sen. Sandra B. Schrader; Dels. Shane Pendergrass; Frank S. Turner							
Mr. Wildman is providing noise assessment for Howard County in these two areas and requested SHA assistance with information for his noise studies; FAX number for Mr. Wildman is 410-869-9901							
Comment Journal, and letter hyperlinks							
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Consultant Fir				1-888-375-1975 outside MD			

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PER HO Co - Mr Wildman
performed noise study for PULTE HOME CORP/McCann
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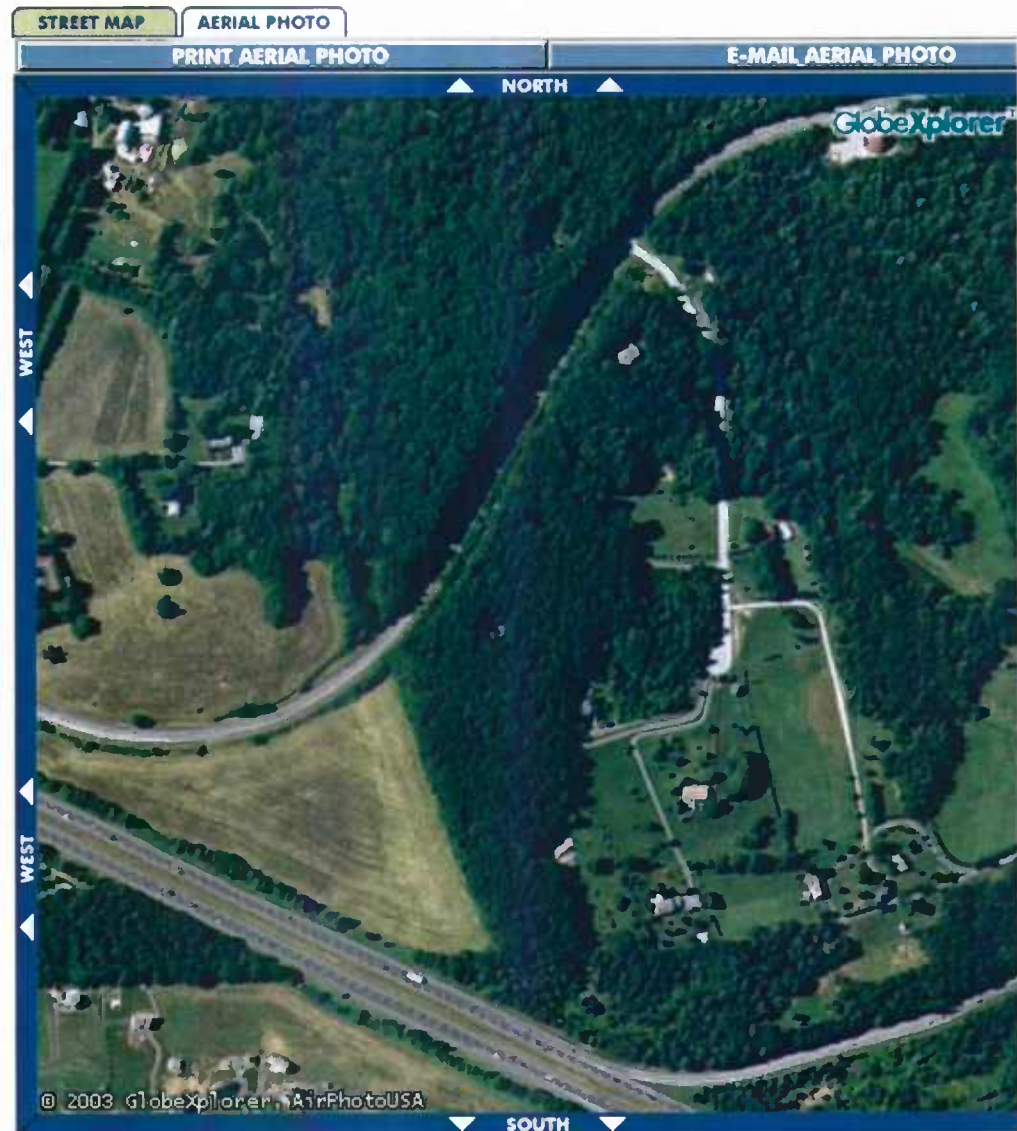
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Account Identifier: District - 04 Account Number - 366956

Owner Information

Owner Name: PULTE HOME CORP Use: RESIDENTIAL
Principal Residence: NO
Mailing Address: 1501 S EDGEWOOD ST STE K Deed Reference: 1) / 6348/ 600
BALTIMORE MD 21227-1028 2)

Location & Structure Information

Premises Address: 14708 SUSAN MARIE WAY
WOODBINE 21797 Zoning: RCDEO Legal Description: LOT 12 1.048 A
14708 SUSAN MARIE WAY
MCCANN PROPERTY

Map	Grid	Parcel	Sub District	Subdivision	Section	Block	Lot	Group	Plat No:	15475
8	16	78				9999	12	81	Plat Ref:	

Special Tax Areas: Town Ad Valorem Tax Class NO A/V, NO M/P, RURAL FIRE TAX

Primary Structure Built	Enclosed Area	Property Land Area	County Use
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Stories	Basement	Type	Exterior

Value Information

	Base Value	Value As Of 01/01/2002	Phase-in Assessments As Of 07/01/2002	As Of 07/01/2003
Land:	0	0		
Improvements:	0	0		
Total:	0	0	0	0
Preferential Land:	0	0	0	0

Transfer Information

Seller: MCCANN JOHN H	Date: 08/15/2002	Price: \$1,494,528
Type: MULT ACCTS ARMS-LENGTH	Deed1: / 6348/ 600	Deed2:
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Exemption Information

Partial Exempt Assessments	Class	07/01/2002	07/01/2003
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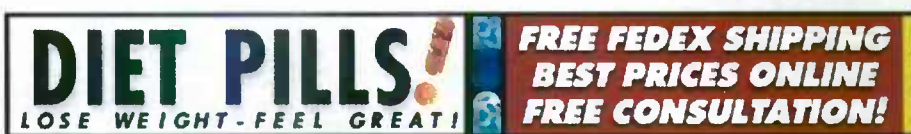
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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

May 28, 2003

The Honorable Philip C. Jimeno
Senate of Maryland
101 James Senate Office Building
110 College Avenue
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Senator Jimeno: Phil

Thank you for your letter on behalf of your constituent, Mr. Peter E. Miller, of the Will-O-Brook community. Mr. Miller is interested in the status of the sound barrier project along eastbound MD 100, between Edwin Raynor Boulevard and Catherine Avenue, in Anne Arundel County. I appreciate the opportunity to update you.

Given the State's economic situation, no new sound barrier projects are included in our current capital program, which runs through 2008. Each year, as the program is updated, we review overall needs. At that time, I expect that we will consider whether funds can be provided for any new sound barriers. Before we can consider such funding for the proposed Will-O-Brook barrier, however, the County will need to commit to fund 20 percent of the cost of that project.

Thank you again for your letter and your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Charles B. Adams, our Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8640, 1-800-446-5962, or cadams@sha.state.md.us. He will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should never hesitate to contact me directly, if you prefer.

Sincerely,

Neil J. Pedersen
Administrator

cc: The Honorable Joan Cadden, Member, Maryland House of Delegates
The Honorable Ronald C. Dillon, Jr., Member, Anne Arundel County Council
The Honorable Donald H. Dwyer, Jr., Member, Maryland House of Delegates
The Honorable John R. Leopold, Member, Maryland House of Delegates
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bcc: Ms. Valerie Burnette Edgar, Director of Communications, SHA
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Ms. Nicole Ross, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, SHA
Ms. Nanette Schieke, State Legislative Officer, MDOT
Mr. T.E. Severe, Administrative Assistant, Noise Abatement Team, SHA
Mr. Greg Welker, District Engineer, SHA

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Responding to letter dated: Follow-up to 05-14-2003 letter from Sen. Jimeno to Mr. Neil Pedersen, SHA Administrator, requesting an update on the status of the sound barrier project for the Will-O-Brook community in AA Co; "good news" letter from Gov. Glendening sent out on 02-26-1999; follow-up cost details letter to elected officials (AA Co Exec. Owens, Sen. Jimeno and delegates of Dist. 31) sent out 04-05-1999 by MDOT Sec. Porcari – letter indicated that funding from AA Co would not be needed before FY 2003 and that State funding was dependent on availability of funds in MDOT's CTP; "good news" letter to citizens sent out by Mr. Parker Williams, SHA Administrator, on 04-09-1999

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May 14, 2003

Mr. Neil Pedersen, Administrator
State Highway Administration
707 No. Calvert Street
Baltimore, MD 21202

Dear Mr. Pederson:

My office has again been contacted by Mr. Peter E. Miller, 104 Willobrook Drive, Pasadena, MD 21122.

As you will note from the attached copies, the funding of this sound barrier project should have been provided in the FY 2003 budget. Any updated information you can provide on this project would be greatly appreciated. Mr. Miller and his neighbors have patiently waited for this project for many years, and they have suffered great inconvenience and depreciation of their property due to the State and County's failure to fund this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Philip C. Jimeno".
Philip C. Jimeno

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Senate of Maryland
402A James Senate Office Building
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

The Honorable Joan Cadden
The Honorable John Leopold
The Honorable Mary Rosso
Maryland House of Delegates
213 Lowe House Office Building
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Senator Jimeno and Delegates Cadden, Leopold, and Rosso:

Governor Parris N. Glendening recently wrote to you regarding the sound barriers for the Will-o-brook and Brookfield communities. The Governor asked me to provide you with the details on these barriers, and it is my pleasure to do so.

As stated in the Governor's letter, these communities meet the technical requirements for State-funded barriers. Before we can consider State funding, however, the State's Sound Barrier Policy requires that Anne Arundel County agree to fund 20 percent of the cost of these barriers. Based on our current funding picture, Anne Arundel County's share for these communities would not be needed before FY 2003. State funding will be dependent upon the availability of funds in the Department's Consolidated Transportation Program. The current estimated cost for the Will-o-brook and Brookfield sound barriers is \$3.39 million, and Anne Arundel County's share would be \$678,000.

Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or Mr. Charles B. Adams, the State Highway Administration's Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8640 or 1-800-446-5962.

Sincerely,

John D. Porcari
Secretary

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
Mr. Parker F. Williams, Administrator, State Highway Administration

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**Maryland Department of Transportation
State Highway Administration**

Parris N. Glendening
Governor

John D. Porcari
Secretary

Parker F. Williams
Administrator

April 9, 1999

Mr. Peter E. Miller
104 Willobrook Drive
Pasadena MD 21122

Dear Mr. Miller:

This is a follow-up to my letter to you regarding the Will-o-brook and Brookfield communities bordering MD 100 in Anne Arundel County. The State Highway Administration (SHA) has completed its review of these communities to determine their eligibility for a State-funded sound barrier. I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with the results of the review.

It is my pleasure to inform you that your communities meet the technical requirements for a sound barrier under the State's Sound Barrier Program. Anne Arundel County will need to agree to fund 20 percent of the barrier costs before we consider the availability of funds for the design and construction of a barrier. We will keep you informed of our progress as we work through the funding process.

Thank you for your patience during this review. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. James Hade, our Noise Abatement Team Leader, at 410-545-8599 or 1-800-446-5962.

Sincerely,

Charles B. Adams

Director

Office of Environmental Design

cc: The Honorable Joan Cadden, Member, Maryland House of Delegates
The Honorable Philip C. Jimeno, Member, Senate of Maryland
The Honorable John Leopold, Member, Maryland House of Delegates
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CONTROL # 03May42

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SENDER: JIMENO, PHILIP C.

SUBJECT: PETER MILLER/SOUND BARRIER PROJECT REGARDING WILL-O-BROOK AND BROOKFIELD
COMMUNITIES BORDERING MD 100

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RESPONSE PREPARED BY:

T. E. SEVERE 78600 5/21/03
(Name / Telephone / Date)

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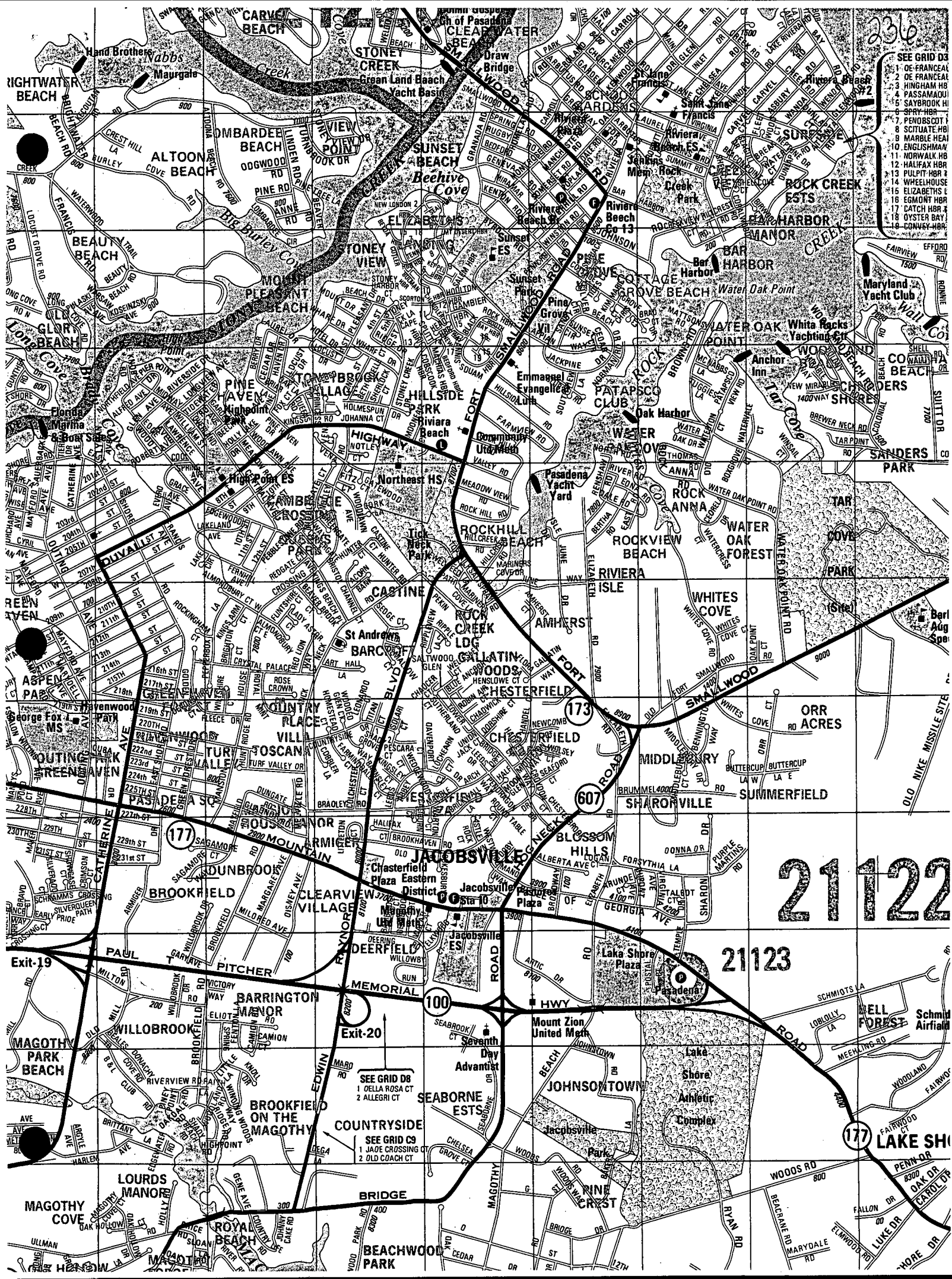
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104	Willobrook Drive		AA	Pasadena	21122-2132	private	
Elected Official whom has communicated directly to us on this cu							
DAY PHONE		HOME PHONE		E-Mail address		COMMUNITY	
		410 437-0579				Will-O-Brook/Brookfield	
Logical Project Limit		ROADWAY		Barrier Nam			
EB MD 100, Catherine Av to Edwin Raynor Blvd							
RESPONSE				INQUIRY		2nd Contact	
				Called to let us know when worst noise levels			
				Last Contact		Researcher	
				09/18/1998		KEN	
						Primary SHA Contact	
FILE LOCATION				OTHER		Current committm	
						noise measurements pending	
Do we owe a letter <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Letter Commit due da		05/23/2003			
LAST action		Letter signed dat		Reason Letter is Lat			
<p>05-14-2003 Sen. Jimeno wrote to Admin. Pedersen asking for update on status of sound barrier project for Will-O-Brook/Brookfield; "good news" announced 02-26-1999; AA Co funding not needed before FY 2003 per 04-05-1999 letter to elected officials</p>							
<p>Comments: This field can not be sorted or searched.</p>							
<p>05-2003 EO's Dist. 31 Sen. Philip C. Jimeno; Dels. Joan Cadden; Donald H. Dwyer; John R. Leopold; AA Cncl Ron Dillon, Jr. Additional phone number for this address is for D. Miller - 410-439-8326 Will-O-Brook & Brookfield communities met Type II technical criteria in 1999 - "good news" letters sent out 02-26-1999 (Gov. Glendening) - Anne Arundel County has chosen not to agree to fund 9 Type II sound barrier projects including Will-O-Brook and Brookfield Resident of 30 years....</p>							
<p>Comment Journal, and letter hyperlinks</p>							
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Owner Information

Owner Name: MILLER, PETER E
MILLER, FRANCIS L Use: RESIDENTIAL
Principal Residence: YES
Mailing Address: 104 WILLOBROOK DR
PASADENA MD 21122-2132 Deed Reference: 1) / 2343/ 200
2)

Location & Structure Information

Premises Address 104 WILL-O-BROOK DR
PASADENA 21122 Zoning R2 Legal Description
PT LTS 45 46 SC 2
104 WILL-O-BROOK DR
WILL-O-BROOK

Map	Grid	Parcel	Sub District	Subdivision	Section	Block	Lot	Group	Plat No: Plat Ref:
17	20	197		907	2		45	80	

Special Tax Areas Town
Ad Valorem
Tax Class

Primary Structure Built	Enclosed Area	Property Land Area	County Use
1956	1,554 SF	21,344.00 SF	
Stories 1	Basement YES	Type STANDARD UNIT	Exterior SIDING

Value Information

	Base Value	Value As Of 01/01/2001	Phase-in Assessments As Of 07/01/2002	As Of 07/01/2003
Land:	44,330	48,900		
Improvements:	71,530	77,080		
Total:	115,860	125,980	122,606	125,980
Preferential Land:	0	0	0	0

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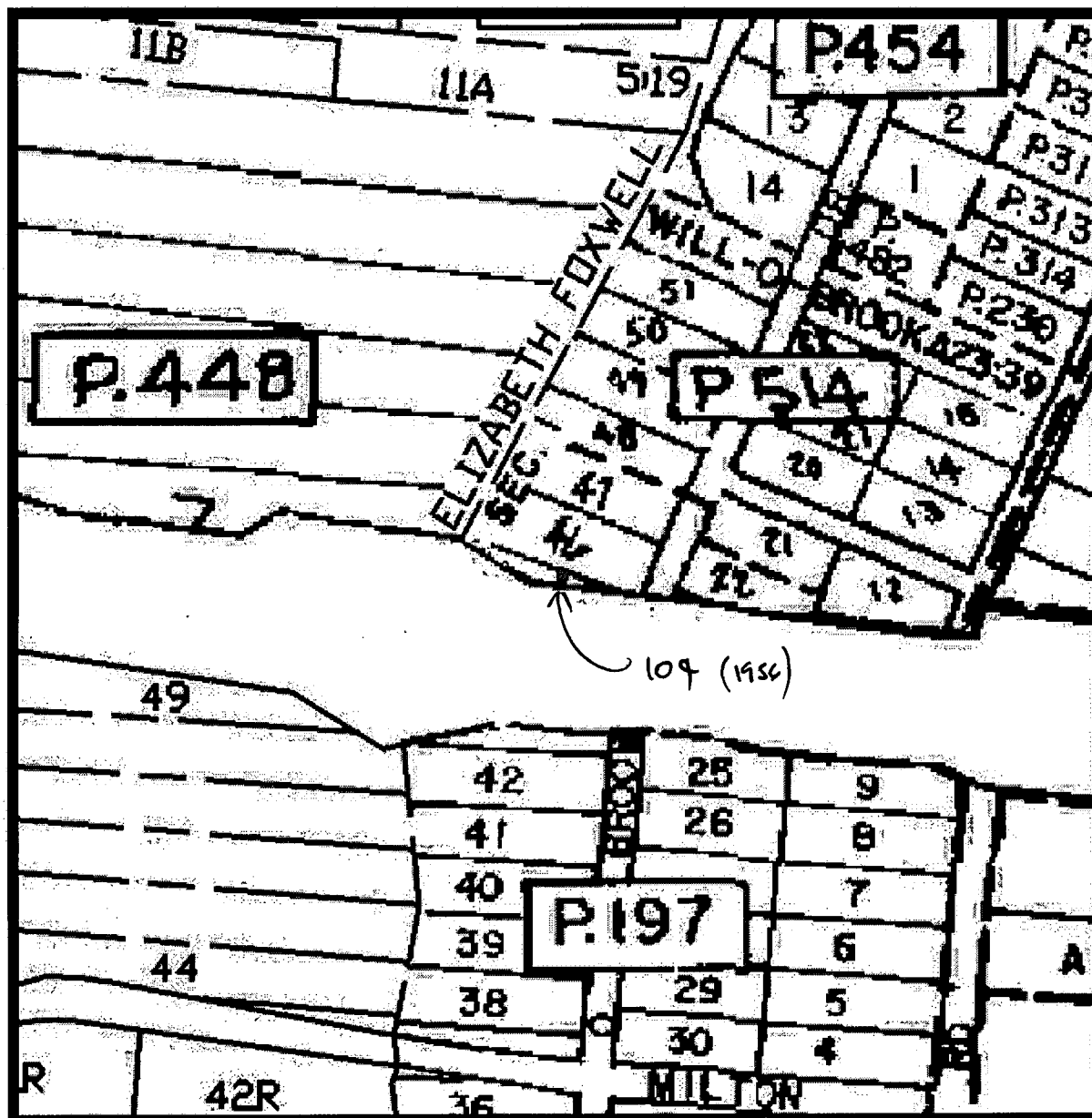
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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

September 8, 2003

Mr. Dan Johnson
Federal Aid Division Office
Federal Highway Administration
The Rotunda, Suite 220
711 West 40th Street
Baltimore MD 21211-2187

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The State Highway Administration's (SHA) Office of Environmental Design wishes to seek concurrence from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to utilize recently approved Federal Aid for a Type II noise analysis for the Springhill Lake community, located in Prince George's County along the inner loop of I-95/I-495 between Cherrywood Drive and the ramp from I-95/I-495 to southbound Kenilworth Avenue (MD 201). We propose using the charge number, AT525B21, for this analysis.

The Springhill Lake community is a community of approximately 3,000 apartments and town homes owned and operated by the Apartment Investment and Management Company (AIMCO) in Greenbelt, Maryland. We've determined that this community was under construction before the 1964 system opening date of I-95 / I-495. With your concurrence, we wish to be able to back-charge to the Federal Aid number for consultant work already underway in late July, 2003.

Thank you for your assistance with this request. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. James Hade, our Noise Abatement Team Leader, at 410-545-8599 or, by e-mail, at jhade@sha.state.md.us. He will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

Charles B. Adams, Director
Office of Environmental Design

Concur:

Date

cc: James D. Hade, RLA, Noise Abatement Team Leader, State Highway Administration

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

September 3, 2003

The Honorable Adrienne A. Jones
Maryland House of Delegates
2 West Rolling Crossroads, Suite 205
Catonsville MD 21228-6209

Dear Delegate Jones:

This letter is an update on sound barrier projects for Baltimore County. Information was also recently provided to Baltimore County Executive James T. Smith, Jr., to aid Baltimore County in its budget deliberations.

The Greenlawn/Windsor Park community, located along the inner loop of I-695 from 1,600 feet south of Windsor Mill Road to Windsor Mill Road, meets all of the State Highway Administration's (SHA) criteria for a Type II, or "retrofit," sound barrier. This sound barrier project is not funded for design or construction at this time. There are no funds available for new sound barrier projects through FY 2008. At such time as funding may become available for new projects, the project would be eligible for funding when Baltimore County is able to commit to its share of the estimated cost. The current estimated cost for the sound barrier project for the Greenlawn/Windsor Park community is \$2.5 million, with the County share being \$551,000.

It may be helpful for you to know that, when barriers are considered for inclusion in our capital budget, they are prioritized—first, by the order in which each county's commitments for the local share have been received; and, second, by the age of the communities. Once SHA receives a commitment for any of these Baltimore County projects, it will be prioritized as described above.

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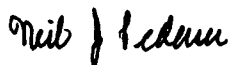
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The SHA looks forward to working with Baltimore County's representatives to provide barriers for these eligible communities. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Charles B. Adams, SHA's Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8640 or, by e-mail, at cadams@sha.state.md.us. He will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should never hesitate to contact me directly, if you prefer.

Sincerely,



Neil J. Pedersen
Administrator

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Mr. Patrick H. Roddy, Assistant County Attorney/Legislative Liaison, Office of the
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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

September 3, 2003

The Honorable A. Wade Kach
Maryland House of Delegates
214 Ashland Road
Cockeysville MD 21030-1902

Dear Delegate Kach:

This letter is an update on sound barrier projects for Baltimore County. Information was also recently provided to Baltimore County Executive James T. Smith, Jr., to aid Baltimore County in its budget deliberations.

The Priceville community, located in the southwest quadrant of the I-83/Belfast Road interchange, meets all of the State Highway Administration's (SHA) criteria for a Type II, or "retrofit," sound barrier. This sound barrier project is not funded for design or construction at this time. There are no funds available for new sound barrier projects through FY 2008. At such time as funding may become available for new projects, the project would be eligible for funding when Baltimore County is able to commit to its share of the estimated cost. The current estimated cost for the sound barrier project for the Priceville community is \$1.8 million, with the County share being \$395,000.

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Sincerely,



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January 7, 2003

The Honorable Anne Kaiser
Maryland House of Delegates
224 Lowe House Office Building
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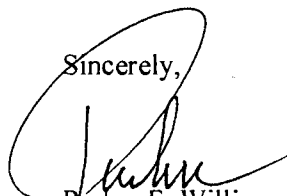
Dear Delegate Kaiser:

The State Highway Administration (SHA) will conduct an informational meeting for the Fairland community regarding the proposed sound barrier for the southwest quadrant of the new interchange at US 29 and Briggs Chaney Road in Montgomery County. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 30, 2003, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the meeting room of the Fairland Library, 14910 Old Columbia Pike, Burtonsville, Maryland. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the sound barrier proposed for this project and to seek concurrence on the construction of a barrier from at least 75 percent of the owners whose homes will be *both impacted* by highway noise in the design year (2020) *and benefited* by a barrier. "Impacted" homes are those which are predicted to experience either: a 10-decibel increase in highway noise levels over existing conditions; or highway noise levels of 66 decibels or more that are at least 3 decibels higher in 2020 than if the highway had not been improved. "Benefited" homes are those for which a barrier will provide at least a 3-decibel reduction in highway noise (if they are impacted) or a 5-decibel reduction (if they are not impacted). We will distribute vote cards to qualifying owners who attend the meeting and will mail vote cards, along with materials that were distributed at the meeting, to qualifying owners who are unable to attend.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns beforehand, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Nicole Ross, Special Assistant to our Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at nross@sha.state.md.us. She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams
Administrator

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

September 3, 2003

The Honorable Kevin Kamenetz
Baltimore County Council
400 Washington Avenue, Room 205
Towson MD 21204-4672

Dear Councilman Kamenetz:

This letter is an update on sound barrier projects for Baltimore County. Information was also recently provided to Baltimore County Executive James T. Smith, Jr., to aid Baltimore County in its budget deliberations.

The seven Baltimore County communities described below meet all of the State Highway Administration's (SHA) criteria for a Type II, or "retrofit," sound barrier. They are not funded for design or construction at this time. There are no funds available for new sound barrier projects through FY 2008. At such time as funding may become available for new projects, these projects would be eligible for funding, once Baltimore County commits to its share of their cost. The current cost estimates are:

<u>Highway</u>	<u>Community</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>	<u>County Cost Share</u>
I-695	Woodholme Avenue	\$2.0 million	\$439,000
I-83	Priceville	\$1.8 million	\$395,000
I-695	Ridge Grove/ Woodland Heights	\$6.3 million	\$1.38 million
I-195	Cedar Heights/ Richardson Mews/ Francis Avenue	\$5.8 million	\$1.27 million
MD 695	Oriole Avenue	\$1.5 million	\$329,000
MD 695	Chesaco Avenue	\$3.8 million	\$835,000
I-695	Greenlawn/ Windsor Park	\$2.5 million	\$551,000
Total:		\$23.7 million	\$5.199 million

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The SHA looks forward to working with Baltimore County's representatives to provide barriers for these eligible communities. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Charles B. Adams, SHA's Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8640 or, by e-mail, at cadams@sha.state.md.us. He will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should never hesitate to contact me directly, if you prefer.

Sincerely,



Neil J. Pedersen
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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

September 3, 2003

The Honorable Edward J. Kasemeyer
Senate of Maryland
5408 East Drive
Arbutus MD 21227-2604

Dear Senator Kasemeyer:

This letter is an update on sound barrier projects for Baltimore County. Information was also recently provided to Baltimore County Executive James T. Smith, Jr., to aid Baltimore County in its budget deliberations.

The Relay community is located along both sides of I-195 from Washington Boulevard (US 1) to northwest of Francis Avenue and includes the Francis Avenue (south), Cedar Heights/St. Denis and Richardson Mews/Francis Avenue (north) communities. It meets all of the State Highway Administration's (SHA) criteria for a Type II, or "retrofit," sound barrier. This sound barrier project is not funded for design or construction at this time. There are no funds available for new sound barrier projects through FY 2008. At such time as funding may become available for new projects, the project would be eligible for funding when Baltimore County is able to commit to its share of the estimated cost. The current estimated cost for the sound barrier project for the Relay community is \$5.8 million, with the County share being \$1.27 million.

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Sincerely,

Neil J. Pedersen

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

July 10, 2003

The Honorable Edward J. Kasemeyer
Senate of Maryland
5408 East Drive
Arbutus MD 21227-2604

Dear Senator Kasemeyer:

This letter is an update regarding the sound barrier for the Atholton Manor community, along southbound US 29 between Broken Land Parkway and Seneca Drive in Howard County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide this information.

At their October 15, 2002 meeting with residents of the Atholton Manor community, representatives of the State Highway Administration (SHA) stated that they expected to start construction on the barrier for the community in Fall 2003. We have since learned that the Howard County budget for FY 2004 does not include the County's share of the cost for this barrier. As a result, SHA will not proceed with construction this Fall but will establish a new construction schedule once the County's funding has been approved. Based on information we have received from Howard County staff, we have reason to hope that the County's FY 2005 budget may contain funding for this project.

Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. We appreciate your patience during this difficult time of budget challenges. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Nicole Ross, of SHA's Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962, or nross@sha.state.md.us. She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should never hesitate to contact me directly, if you prefer.

Sincerely,

Neil J. Pedersen
Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
Elizabeth A. Calia, P.E., Chief Engineer, Transportation and Special Projects Division,
Howard County Bureau of Engineering
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Mr. James M. Irvin, Director, Howard County Department of Public Works
Ms. Nicole Ross, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration

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Responding to letter dated: Follow-up to 10-15-2002 SHA-hosted community informational meeting for Atholton Manor and Guilford Downs at George Howard Building, Ellicott City; Howard County (with information provided by Ms. Elizabeth Calia) has indicated it may include a funding request for the Allview Estates, Atholton Manor and Guilford Downs sound barriers in its FY 2005 budget (June 2004); the construction start date would be scheduled by SHA for all three barriers (Atholton Manor, Guilford Downs and Allview Estates) once the County's funding has been approved

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

September 3, 2003

The Honorable Delores G. Kelley
Senate of Maryland
302 James Senate Office Building
110 College Avenue
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Senator Kelley:

This letter is an update on sound barrier projects for Baltimore County. Information was also recently provided to Baltimore County Executive James T. Smith, Jr., to aid Baltimore County in its budget deliberations.

The Greenlawn/Windsor Park community, located along the inner loop of I-695 from 1,600 feet south of Windsor Mill Road to Windsor Mill Road, meets all of the State Highway Administration's (SHA) criteria for a Type II, or "retrofit," sound barrier. This sound barrier project is not funded for design or construction at this time. There are no funds available for new sound barrier projects through FY 2008. At such time as funding may become available for new projects, the project would be eligible for funding when Baltimore County is able to commit to its share of the estimated cost. The current estimated cost for the sound barrier project for the Greenlawn/Windsor Park community is \$2.5 million, with the County share being \$551,000.

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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September 3, 2003

The Honorable Katherine Klausmeier
Senate of Maryland
9528 Gunhill Circle
Baltimore MD 21236-4729

Dear Senator Klausmeier:

This letter is an update on sound barrier projects for Baltimore County. Information was also recently provided to Baltimore County Executive James T. Smith, Jr., to aid Baltimore County in its budget deliberations.

The Ridge Grove and Woodland Heights communities, located along the I-695 inner loop from east of Harford Road to east of Putty Hill Avenue (Ridge Grove) and along the outer loop of I-695 from east of Harford Road to east of Avondale Avenue (Woodland Heights), meet all of the State Highway Administration's (SHA) criteria for Type II, or "retrofit," sound barriers. This sound barrier project is not funded for design or construction at this time. There are no funds available for new sound barrier projects through FY 2008. At such time as funding may become available for new projects, the project would be eligible for funding when Baltimore County is able to commit to its share of the estimated cost. The current estimated cost for the sound barrier project for the Ridge Grove and Woodland Heights communities is \$6.3 million, with the County share being \$1.38 million.

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Sincerely,

Neil J. Pedersen

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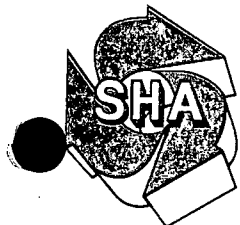
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January 7, 2003

The Honorable Rona E. Kramer
Senate of Maryland
401 James Senate Office Building
110 College Avenue
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Senator Kramer:

The State Highway Administration (SHA) will conduct an informational meeting for the Fairland community regarding the proposed sound barrier for the southwest quadrant of the new interchange at US 29 and Briggs Chaney Road in Montgomery County. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 30, 2003, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the meeting room of the Fairland Library, 14910 Old Columbia Pike, Burtonsville, Maryland. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the sound barrier proposed for this project and to seek concurrence on the construction of a barrier from at least 75 percent of the owners whose homes will be *both impacted* by highway noise in the design year (2020) *and benefited* by a barrier. "Impacted" homes are those which are predicted to experience either: a 10-decibel increase in highway noise levels over existing conditions; or highway noise levels of 66 decibels or more that are at least 3 decibels higher in 2020 than if the highway had not been improved. "Benefited" homes are those for which a barrier will provide at least a 3-decibel reduction in highway noise (if they are impacted) or a 5-decibel reduction (if they are not impacted). We will distribute vote cards to qualifying owners who attend the meeting and will mail vote cards, along with materials that were distributed at the meeting, to qualifying owners who are unable to attend.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns beforehand, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Nicole Ross, Special Assistant to our Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at nross@sha.state.md.us. She will be happy to assist you.

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

September 3, 2003

The Honorable James E. Malone, Jr.
Maryland House of Delegates
5408 East Drive
Arbutus MD 21227-2604

Dear Delegate Malone:

This letter is an update on sound barrier projects for Baltimore County. Information was also recently provided to Baltimore County Executive James T. Smith, Jr., to aid Baltimore County in its budget deliberations.

The Relay community is located along both sides of I-195 from Washington Boulevard (US 1) to northwest of Francis Avenue and includes the Francis Avenue (south), Cedar Heights/St. Denis and Richardson Mews/Francis Avenue (north) communities. It meets all of the State Highway Administration's (SHA) criteria for a Type II, or "retrofit," sound barrier. This sound barrier project is not funded for design or construction at this time. There are no funds available for new sound barrier projects through FY 2008. At such time as funding may become available for new projects, the project would be eligible for funding when Baltimore County is able to commit to its share of the estimated cost. The current estimated cost for the sound barrier project for the Relay community is \$5.8 million, with the County share being \$1.27 million.

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

May 13, 2003

The Honorable Pauline H. Menes
Maryland House of Delegates
210 Lowe House Office Building
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate ~~Menes~~ *Pauline*:

This June, the State Highway Administration (SHA) will conduct *two* informational meetings regarding *three* sound barrier projects that will affect the Powder Mill Estates/Knollwood and Hollywood communities in Prince George's County. The three projects are:

- the proposed barrier along southbound I-95 just south of Cherry Hill Road (of interest to Powder Mill Estates);
- the proposed barrier adjacent to the ramp from southbound I-95 to westbound I-495 (of interest to Knollwood); and
- the extension of the sound barrier that currently runs adjacent to eastbound I-95/I495, toward the MARC/Metro tracks (of interest to Hollywood).

The meeting for the Powder Mill Estates and Knollwood communities is scheduled for Wednesday, June 11, 2003, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the Multi-Purpose Room/Cafeteria of the High Point High School, 3601 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville. The second meeting, for the Hollywood community, is scheduled for Wednesday, June 18, 2003 in the Multi-Purpose Room/Cafeteria of the Hollywood Elementary School, 9811 49th Avenue, in College Park. Before each of these meetings, displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

The purpose of each meeting is to discuss the proposed sound barriers and to seek concurrence on the construction of the barriers from at least 75 percent of the impacted property owners who would benefit from the barriers. We will distribute vote cards at each meeting to those impacted homeowners. Impacted property owners who are eligible to vote are those whose homes experience existing highway noise levels of 66 decibels or more.

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September 3, 2003

The Honorable Joseph J. Minnick
Maryland House of Delegates
307 Lowe House Office Building
84 College Avenue
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Minnick:

This letter is an update on sound barrier projects for Baltimore County. Information was also recently provided to Baltimore County Executive James T. Smith, Jr., to aid Baltimore County in its budget deliberations.

The Oriole Avenue and Chesaco Park communities, located along northbound MD 695 from just north of Eastern Avenue (MD 150) to the south branch of Moores Run (Oriole Avenue) and from the Back River to the Amtrak railroad bridge northeast of Chesaco Avenue (Chesaco Park), meet all of the State Highway Administration's (SHA) criteria for a Type II, or "retrofit," sound barrier. This sound barrier project is not funded for design or construction at this time. There are no funds available for new sound barrier projects through FY 2008. At such time as funding may become available for new projects, the project would be eligible for funding when Baltimore County is able to commit to its share of the estimated cost. The current estimated cost for the sound barrier project for the Oriole Avenue community is \$1.5 million and for the Chesaco Park community is \$3.8 million. The County shares would be \$329,000 (Oriole Avenue) and \$835,000 (Chesaco Park).

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

May 13, 2003

The Honorable Brian R. Moe
Maryland House of Delegates
210 Lowe House Office Building
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear ~~Delegate Moe~~:

Brian

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January 7, 2003

The Honorable Karen S. Montgomery
Maryland House of Delegates
224 Lowe House Office Building
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard
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Dear Delegate Montgomery:

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

September 3, 2003

The Honorable Dan K. Morhaim
Maryland House of Delegates
8 Park Center Court, Suite 100
Owings Mills MD 21117-5609

Dear Delegate Morhaim:

This letter is an update on sound barrier projects for Baltimore County. Information was also recently provided to Baltimore County Executive James T. Smith, Jr., to aid Baltimore County in its budget deliberations.

The Woodholme Avenue community, adjacent to the ramp from Reisterstown Road (MD 140) to southbound I-695, meets all of the State Highway Administration's (SHA) criteria for a Type II, or "retrofit," sound barrier. This sound barrier project is not funded for design or construction at this time. There are no funds available for new sound barrier projects through FY 2008. At such time as funding may become available for new projects, the project would be eligible for funding when Baltimore County is able to commit to its share of the estimated cost. The current estimated cost for the sound barrier project for the Woodholme Avenue community is \$2.0 million, with the County share being \$439,000.

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

September 3, 2003

The Honorable S. G. Samuel Moxley
Baltimore County Council
400 Washington Avenue, Room 205
Towson MD 21204-4672

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

September 3, 2003

The Honorable T. Bryan McIntire
Baltimore County Council
400 Washington Avenue, Room 205
Towson MD 21204-4672

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

September 3, 2003

The Honorable Shirley Nathan-Pulliam
Maryland House of Delegates
4200 Edmondson Avenue, Suite 103
Baltimore MD 21229-1600

Dear Delegate Nathan-Pulliam:

This letter is an update on sound barrier projects for Baltimore County. Information was also recently provided to Baltimore County Executive James T. Smith, Jr., to aid Baltimore County in its budget deliberations.

The Greenlawn/Windsor Park community, located along the inner loop of I-695 from 1,600 feet south of Windsor Mill Road to Windsor Mill Road, meets all of the State Highway Administration's (SHA) criteria for a Type II, or "retrofit," sound barrier. This sound barrier project is not funded for design or construction at this time. There are no funds available for new sound barrier projects through FY 2008. At such time as funding may become available for new projects, the project would be eligible for funding when Baltimore County is able to commit to its share of the estimated cost. The current estimated cost for the sound barrier project for the Greenlawn/Windsor Park community is \$2.5 million, with the County share being \$551,000.

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

September 3, 2003

The Honorable Kenneth N. Oliver
Baltimore County Council
400 Washington Avenue, Room 205
Towson MD 21204-4672

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

September 3, 2003

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Baltimore County Council
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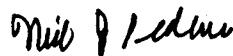
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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

July 10, 2003

The Honorable Shane E. Pendergrass
Maryland House of Delegates
209 Lowe House Office Building
84 College Avenue
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Pendergrass:

This letter is an update on two sound barriers in your district: the Guilford Downs community, along northbound US 29 between MD 175 and Diamondback drive; and the Allview Estates community, along northbound US 29 between Seneca Drive and Broken Land Parkway. I appreciate the opportunity to provide this information.

At their October 15, 2002 meeting with residents of the Guilford Downs community, representatives of the State Highway Administration (SHA) stated that they expected to start construction on the barrier for the community in Fall 2003. We have since learned that the Howard County's FY 2004 budget does not include the County's share for the cost of this barrier. As a result, SHA will not proceed with construction this Fall but will establish a new construction schedule once the County's funding has been approved. Based on information we have received from Howard County staff, we have reason to hope that the County's FY 2005 budget may contain funding for this project.

In the meantime, SHA staff plans to hold a community informational meeting later this year to tie up the remaining issues on the Allview Estates barrier. All property owners in this community who would be benefited by the proposed sound barrier will receive invitations approximately 30 days before the meeting. The purpose of the meeting will be to present and discuss the design of the barrier and to seek written concurrence on its construction from at least 75 percent of the property owners whose homes are currently impacted by highway traffic noise. Impacted property owners are those whose homes experience highway traffic noise levels of 66-decibels or greater. As with the project of the Guilford Downs community, we are hopeful that Howard County's FY 2005 budget will contain funding for the sound barrier for Allview Estates.

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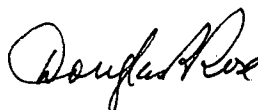
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Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. We appreciate your patience during this difficult time of budget challenges. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Nicole Ross, of SHA's Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962, or nross@sha.state.md.us. She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should never hesitate to contact me directly, if you prefer.

Sincerely,



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Neil J. Pedersen
Administrator

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Howard County Bureau of Engineering
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Responding to letter dated: Follow-up to 10-15-2002 SHA-hosted community informational meeting for Atholton Manor and Guilford Downs at George Howard Building, Ellicott City; Howard County (with information provided by Ms. Elizabeth Calia) has indicated it may include a funding request for the Allview Estates, Atholton Manor and Guilford Downs sound barriers in its FY 2005 budget (June 2004); the construction start date would be scheduled by SHA for all three barriers (Atholton Manor, Guilford Downs and Allview Estates) once the County's funding has been approved

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

June 16, 2003

The Honorable Shane E. Pendergrass
Maryland House of Delegates
209 Lowe House Office Building
84 College Avenue
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear ~~Delegate Pendergrass~~: *Shane*

This letter is a follow-up to the November 22, 2002 letter to you from former Administrator Parker F. Williams regarding the finishes on the sound barriers for the Atholton Manor, Allview Estates, and Guilford Downs communities along US 29 in Howard County. The State Highway Administration's plans for each of the proposed barriers include a sound-absorptive finish.

Thank you for your patience while we made this determination, as well as your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Charles B. Adams, our Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8640, 1-800-446-5962 or cadams@sha.state.md.us. He will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should not hesitate to contact me directly, if you prefer.

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Administrator Williams (signed by Mr. Pedersen for the Administrator) indicating that finish for
Guilford Downs barrier was absorptive and that finish for Atholton Manor and Allview Estates
barriers had not yet been determined; determination to be made and announced by Spring 2003

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From: NICOLE ROSS
To: TED SEVERE
Date: 6/10/03 2:36PM
Subject: Fwd: Re: Atholton Manor & Allview Estates

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Ted,

We sent a letter to Del. Pendergrass in Nov. 2002 regarding this matter. Please see the attached e-mail for more details. The letter states that we anticipate having this information available in Spring 2003. Please initiate a folder for this response. The letter will be for the Administrator's signature. In summary, our response is the following:

The Atholton Manor & Allview Estates sound barriers will have an absorptive finish. Please let me know if you need anything. Thanks,

Nicole

CC: JIM HADE

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From: LYN WATERHOUSE
To: NICOLE ROSS
Date: 6/10/03 1:46PM
Subject: Fwd: Re: Atholton Manor & Allview Estates

Cool! Thanks again!

>>> NICOLE ROSS 06/10/03 01:25PM >>>
Hi Lyn,

I meant to tell you about that in my previous e-mail to you. Our office will respond directly to Delegate Pendergrass, etc. Thanks for the reminder,

Nicole

>>> LYN WATERHOUSE 06/10/03 01:11PM >>>
Hi Nicole!

Thank you so much for your persistence and patience! Not to be picky, but there is one more task at hand. The original letter that your office composed stated that we will be sending a letter "in the spring" testifying to the type of finish needed. Will you guys be writing the letter, or do we need to compose it and have you all review it? Thanks again!!

Lyn

>>> NICOLE ROSS 06/10/03 11:34AM >>>
Lyn,

Here's the final verdict...**Both the Atholton Manor and Allview Estates sound walls will have an absorptive finish.** Thank you so much for your patience in this matter. Please let me know if you need anything.

Nicole

>>> LYN WATERHOUSE 06/06/03 09:22AM >>>
Thanks for you prompt action!

>>> NICOLE ROSS 06/06/03 09:21AM >>>
Lyn,

Jim recommends that both barriers have absorptive finishes; however, he would like to get Charlie's approval before moving forward. We should have a definite answer for you by Monday.

>>> LYN WATERHOUSE 06/06/03 09:13AM >>>
Thanks for your continued persistence! We will wait a couple days to see what Jim says before we bring out the big guns... Thanks again!

Lyn

>>> NICOLE ROSS 06/05/03 09:09AM >>>
Jim,

Has a decision been made regarding the finishes for these two barriers at this time? We received another inquiry from RIPD on this issue. Thanks,

Nicole

ORIGINATED BY: C.B. ADAMS
SENIOR MANAGER

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RESPONSE TO: LETTER ☐ FOLLOW UP ☒
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RECEIVED FROM: Del. Pendegross

SUBJECT: follow-up to n/p letter on
Denier finishes for Guilford
Dorcas, Atholton Manor & All View Estates

PLEASE FURNISH THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FOR THE
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IS THERE A DEADLINE BY WHICH ADDRESSEE SHOULD RECEIVE THIS DOCUMENT?
YES ☒ NO ☐

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Spring 03

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YOUR CONTACT PERSON AND PHONE: J. HADE X8599

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January 7, 2003

The Honorable Marilyn J. Praisner
Montgomery County Council
100 Maryland Avenue
Rockville MD 20850-2367

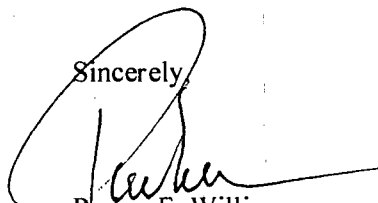
Dear Councilmember Praisner:

The State Highway Administration (SHA) will conduct an informational meeting for the Fairland community regarding the proposed sound barrier for the southwest quadrant of the new interchange at US 29 and Briggs Chaney Road in Montgomery County. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 30, 2003, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the meeting room of the Fairland Library, 14910 Old Columbia Pike, Burtonsville, Maryland. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the sound barrier proposed for this project and to seek concurrence on the construction of a barrier from at least 75 percent of the owners whose homes will be *both impacted* by highway noise in the design year (2020) *and benefited* by a barrier. "Impacted" homes are those which are predicted to experience either: a 10-decibel increase in highway noise levels over existing conditions; or highway noise levels of 66 decibels or more that are at least 3 decibels higher in 2020 than if the highway had not been improved. "Benefited" homes are those for which a barrier will provide at least a 3-decibel reduction in highway noise (if they are impacted) or a 5-decibel reduction (if they are not impacted). We will distribute vote cards to qualifying owners who attend the meeting and will mail vote cards, along with materials that were distributed at the meeting, to qualifying owners who are unable to attend.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns beforehand, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Nicole Ross, Special Assistant to our Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at nross@sha.state.md.us. She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams
Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
Ms. Nicole Ross, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration

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Ms. Nanette M. Schieke, State Legislative Officer, Maryland Department of Transportation
Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration
Mr. Charlie K. Watkins, District Engineer, State Highway Administration

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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July 10, 2003

The Honorable Neil F. Quinter
Maryland House of Delegates
206 Lowe House Office Building
84 College Avenue
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Quinter:

This letter is an update on two sound barriers in your district: the Guilford Downs community, along northbound US 29 between MD 175 and Diamondback drive; and the Allview Estates community, along northbound US 29 between Seneca Drive and Broken Land Parkway. I appreciate the opportunity to provide this information.

At their October 15, 2002 meeting with residents of the Guilford Downs community, representatives of the State Highway Administration (SHA) stated that they expected to start construction on the barrier for the community in Fall 2003. We have since learned that the Howard County's FY 2004 budget does not include the County's share for the cost of this barrier. As a result, SHA will not proceed with construction this Fall but will establish a new construction schedule once the County's funding has been approved. Based on information we have received from Howard County staff, we have reason to hope that the County's FY 2005 budget may contain funding for this project.

In the meantime, SHA staff plans to hold a community informational meeting later this year to tie up the remaining issues on the Allview Estates barrier. All property owners in this community who would be benefited by the proposed sound barrier will receive invitations approximately 30 days before the meeting. The purpose of the meeting will be to present and discuss the design of the barrier and to seek written concurrence on its construction from at least 75 percent of the property owners whose homes are currently impacted by highway traffic noise. Impacted property owners are those whose homes experience highway traffic noise levels of 66-decibels or greater. As with the project of the Guilford Downs community, we are hopeful that Howard County's FY 2005 budget will contain funding for the sound barrier for Allview Estates.

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Sincerely,



Neil J. Pedersen
for Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
Elizabeth A. Calia, P.E., Chief Engineer, Transportation and Special Projects Division,
Howard County Bureau of Engineering
Mr. Robert L. Fisher, District Engineer, State Highway Administration
Mr. James M. Irvin, Director, Howard County Department of Public Works
Ms. Nicole Ross, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, State
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Serial #: None

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

July 10, 2003

The Honorable David A. Rakes
Howard County Council
3430 Court House Drive
Ellicott City MD 21043-4392

Dear Councilman Rakes:

This letter is an update on two sound barriers in your district: the Guilford Downs community, along northbound US 29 between MD 175 and Diamondback drive; and the Allview Estates community, along northbound US 29 between Seneca Drive and Broken Land Parkway. I appreciate the opportunity to provide this information.

At their October 15, 2002 meeting with residents of the Guilford Downs community, representatives of the State Highway Administration (SHA) stated that they expected to start construction on the barrier for the community in Fall 2003. We have since learned that the Howard County's FY 2004 budget does not include the County's share for the cost of this barrier. As a result, SHA will not proceed with construction this Fall but will establish a new construction schedule once the County's funding has been approved. Based on information we have received from Howard County staff, we have reason to hope that the County's FY 2005 budget may contain funding for this project.

In the meantime, SHA staff plans to hold a community informational meeting later this year to tie up the remaining issues on the Allview Estates barrier. All property owners in this community who would be benefited by the proposed sound barrier will receive invitations approximately 30 days before the meeting. The purpose of the meeting will be to present and discuss the design of the barrier and to seek written concurrence on its construction from at least 75 percent of the property owners whose homes are currently impacted by highway traffic noise. Impacted property owners are those whose homes experience highway traffic noise levels of 66-decibels or greater. As with the project of the Guilford Downs community, we are hopeful that Howard County's FY 2005 budget will contain funding for the sound barrier for Allview Estates.

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Sincerely,



Neil J. Pedersen
for Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
Elizabeth A. Calia, P.E., Chief Engineer, Transportation and Special Projects Division,
Howard County Bureau of Engineering
Mr. Robert L. Fisher, District Engineer, State Highway Administration
Mr. James M. Irvin, Director, Howard County Department of Public Works
Ms. Nicole Ross, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, State
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Mr. T.E. Severe, Administrative Assistant, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

May 13, 2003

Mr. Cicero Salles
Special Assistant to the Director
Prince George's County
Department of Public Works and Transportation
9400 Peppercorn Place, Suite 300
Largo MD 20774-5377

Dear Mr. Salles:

The State Highway Administration (SHA) will conduct two informational meetings for the Powder Mill Estates/Knollwood and Hollywood communities regarding the sound barrier projects along southbound I-95 just south of Cherry Hill Road (Powder Mill Estates), adjacent to the ramp from southbound I-95 to westbound I-495 (Knollwood), and adjacent to eastbound I-95/I495 extending the existing sound barrier toward the MARC/Metro tracks (Hollywood) in Prince George's County. The meeting for Powder Mill Estates and Knollwood communities is scheduled for Wednesday, June 11, 2003, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the Multi-Purpose Room/Cafeteria of the High Point High School, 3601 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville. The meeting for the Hollywood community is scheduled for Wednesday, June 18, 2003 in the Multi-Purpose Room/Cafeteria of the Hollywood Elementary School, 9811 49th Avenue, College Park. Before each of these meetings, displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

The purpose of the meetings is to discuss the proposed sound barriers for the communities and to seek concurrence on the construction of the barrier from at least 75 percent of the impacted property owners that would benefit from the barriers. We will distribute vote cards at each meeting to those impacted homeowners. Impacted property owners who are eligible to vote are those whose homes experience existing highway noise levels of 66 decibels or greater.

Property owners who are unable to attend these meetings will receive a summary of the meeting and copies of all materials distributed at the meeting approximately seven to ten days following the meetings. Voting cards will also be included for impacted property owners who were unable to attend the meetings.

My telephone number/toll-free number is _____

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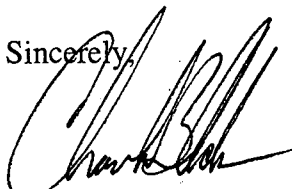
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Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns before the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Nicole Ross, of our staff, at 410-545-8616 or 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at nross@sha.state.md.us. She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,



Charles B. Adams
Director
Office of Environmental Design

cc: Ms. Nicole Ross, Special Assistant to the Director, Office of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration

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Ms. Nanette M. Schieke, State Legislative Officer, Maryland Department of
Transportation
Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration

Serial #: None

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Noise Customer #: 197, 1801, 1802 (Hollywood); 1238, 2014 (Knollwood); 271, 737, 2436
(Powder Mill Estates)

Responding to letter dated: Invitation to affected (both impacted and benefited) property owners to attend the SHA-hosted community informational meeting on 06-11-2003 at the High Point High School, 3601 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville, Maryland (Powder Mill Estates and Knollwood communities; Invitation to affected (both impacted and benefited) property owners to attend the SHA-hosted community informational meeting on 06-18-2003 at the Hollywood Elementary School, 9811 49th Avenue, College Park (Hollywood community)

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

July 10, 2003

The Honorable Sandra B. Schrader
Senate of Maryland
322 James Senate Office Building
110 College Avenue
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Senator Schrader:

This letter is an update on two sound barriers in your district: the Guilford Downs community, along northbound US 29 between MD 175 and Diamondback drive; and the Allview Estates community, along northbound US 29 between Seneca Drive and Broken Land Parkway. I appreciate the opportunity to provide this information.

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Sincerely,



for Neil J. Pedersen
Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
Elizabeth A. Calia, P.E., Chief Engineer, Transportation and Special Projects Division,
Howard County Bureau of Engineering
Mr. Robert L. Fisher, District Engineer, State Highway Administration
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Ms. Nicole Ross, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, State
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Mr. T.E. Severe, Administrative Assistant, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway
Administration

Serial #: None

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

September 3, 2003

The Honorable James T. Smith, Jr.
Baltimore County Executive
400 Washington Avenue
Towson MD 21204-4606

Dear County Executive Smith:

Jim

This letter is a correction to our recent update letter to you on sound barrier projects for Baltimore County. We incorrectly added the estimated costs of all of the eligible sound barrier projects in the County. The table is repeated below and the corrected total figure is in bold italics. We appreciate your understanding and apologize for this error.

<u>Highway</u>	<u>Community</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>	<u>County Cost Share</u>
I-695	Woodholme Avenue	\$2.0 million	\$439,000
I-83	Priceville	\$1.8 million	\$395,000
I-695	Ridge Grove/ Woodland Heights	\$6.3 million	\$1.38 million
I-195	Cedar Heights/ Richardson Mews/ Francis Avenue	\$5.8 million	\$1.27 million
MD 695	Oriole Avenue	\$1.5 million	\$329,000
MD 695	Chesaco Avenue	\$3.8 million	\$835,000
I-695	Greenlawn/ Windsor Park	\$2.5 million	\$551,000
Total:		\$23.7 million	\$5.199 million

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Thank you again for your understanding. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Charles B. Adams, SHA's Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8640 or, by e-mail, at cadams@sha.state.md.us. He will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should never hesitate to contact me directly, if you prefer.

Sincerely,



Neil J. Pedersen
Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, SHA
Mr. Edward C. Adams, Director, Baltimore County Department of Public Works
Mr. Patrick H. Roddy, Assistant County Attorney/Legislative Liaison, Office of the
County Attorney, Baltimore County
Mr. David J. Malkowski, District Engineer, SHA

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Ms. Nanette Schieke, State Legislative Officer, MDOT
Ms. Linda Singer, Community Liaison, SHA

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Responding to letter dated: Follow-up to 08-04-2003 letter from SHA Administrator Pedersen to BA Co Exec. Smith listing the Type II eligible sound barrier projects in the County that are not funded since BA Co has indicated that they cannot fund these projects at this time; the addition of the estimated cost figures was incorrect in 08-04-2003 letter

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

August 4, 2003

The Honorable James T. Smith, Jr.
Baltimore County Executive
400 Washington Avenue
Towson MD 21204-4606

Dear County Executive Smith:

JIM

This letter is an update on sound barrier projects for Baltimore County. It is offered in the hope that it will prove helpful in the County's budget deliberations.

The seven Baltimore County communities described below meet all of the State Highway Administration's (SHA) criteria for a Type II, or retrofit, sound barrier. They are not funded for design or construction, however, since the County has not yet committed to its share of their cost. The current cost estimates are:

<u>Highway</u>	<u>Community</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>	<u>County Cost Share</u>
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It may be helpful for the County to know that, when barriers are considered for inclusion in our capital budget, they are prioritized—first, by the order in which commitments for the local share have been received; and, second, by the age of the communities. The County need not commit to all of these projects to have one or more of them considered: once we receive a commitment for any of these projects, it will be prioritized as described above.

The SHA looks forward to working with Baltimore County to provide barriers for these eligible communities. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Charles B. Adams, SHA's Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8640 or, by e-mail, at cadams@sha.state.md.us. He will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should never hesitate to contact me directly, if you prefer.

Sincerely,

Neil J. Pedersen

Neil J. Pedersen
Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, SHA
Mr. Edward C. Adams, Director, Baltimore County Department of Public Works
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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

September 3, 2003

The Honorable Norman R. Stone, Jr.
Senate of Maryland
6905 Dunmanway
Baltimore MD 21222-5194

Dear Senator Stone:

This letter is an update on sound barrier projects for Baltimore County. Information was also recently provided to Baltimore County Executive James T. Smith, Jr., to aid Baltimore County in its budget deliberations.

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Sincerely,



Neil J. Pedersen
Administrator

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Mr. Patrick H. Roddy, Assistant County Attorney/Legislative Liaison, Office of the
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Ms. Nanette Schieke, State Legislative Officer, MDOT
Ms. Linda Singer, Community Liaison, SHA

Serial #: None

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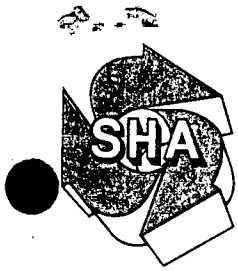
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Administrator

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January 7, 2003

The Honorable Herman L. Taylor
Maryland House of Delegates
224 Lowe House Office Building
6 Governor Bladen Boulevard
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Taylor:

The State Highway Administration (SHA) will conduct an informational meeting for the Fairland community regarding the proposed sound barrier for the southwest quadrant of the new interchange at US 29 and Briggs Chaney Road in Montgomery County. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 30, 2003, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the meeting room of the Fairland Library, 14910 Old Columbia Pike, Burtonsville, Maryland. Displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the sound barrier proposed for this project and to seek concurrence on the construction of a barrier from at least 75 percent of the owners whose homes will be *both impacted* by highway noise in the design year (2020) *and benefited* by a barrier. "Impacted" homes are those which are predicted to experience either: a 10-decibel increase in highway noise levels over existing conditions; or highway noise levels of 66 decibels or more that are at least 3 decibels higher in 2020 than if the highway had not been improved. "Benefited" homes are those for which a barrier will provide at least a 3-decibel reduction in highway noise (if they are impacted) or a 5-decibel reduction (if they are not impacted). We will distribute vote cards to qualifying owners who attend the meeting and will mail vote cards, along with materials that were distributed at the meeting, to qualifying owners who are unable to attend.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns beforehand, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Nicole Ross, Special Assistant to our Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962 or, by e-mail, at nross@sha.state.md.us. She will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

Parker F. Williams
Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
Ms. Nicole Ross, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration

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Ms. Nanette M. Schieke, State Legislative Officer, Maryland Department of Transportation
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Mr. Charlie K. Watkins, District Engineer, State Highway Administration

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

July 10, 2003

The Honorable Frank S. Turner
Maryland House of Delegates
206 Lowe House Office Building
84 College Avenue
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Turner:

This letter is an update on two sound barriers in your district: the Guilford Downs community, along northbound US 29 between MD 175 and Diamondback drive; and the Allview Estates community, along northbound US 29 between Seneca Drive and Broken Land Parkway. I appreciate the opportunity to provide this information.

At their October 15, 2002 meeting with residents of the Guilford Downs community, representatives of the State Highway Administration (SHA) stated that they expected to start construction on the barrier for the community in Fall 2003. We have since learned that the Howard County's FY 2004 budget does not include the County's share for the cost of this barrier. As a result, SHA will not proceed with construction this Fall but will establish a new construction schedule once the County's funding has been approved. Based on information we have received from Howard County staff, we have reason to hope that the County's FY 2005 budget may contain funding for this project.

In the meantime, SHA staff plans to hold a community informational meeting later this year to tie up the remaining issues on the Allview Estates barrier. All property owners in this community who would be benefited by the proposed sound barrier will receive invitations approximately 30 days before the meeting. The purpose of the meeting will be to present and discuss the design of the barrier and to seek written concurrence on its construction from at least 75 percent of the property owners whose homes are currently impacted by highway traffic noise. Impacted property owners are those whose homes experience highway traffic noise levels of 66-decibels or greater. As with the project of the Guilford Downs community, we are hopeful that Howard County's FY 2005 budget will contain funding for the sound barrier for Allview Estates.

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Thank you for your continuing interest in the State's Sound Barrier Program. We appreciate your patience during this difficult time of budget challenges. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Nicole Ross, of SHA's Office of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8616, 1-800-446-5962, or nross@sha.state.md.us. She will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should never hesitate to contact me directly, if you prefer.

Sincerely,



Neil J. Pedersen
f Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
Elizabeth A. Calia, P.E., Chief Engineer, Transportation and Special Projects Division,
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Mr. Robert L. Fisher, District Engineer, State Highway Administration
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Ms. Nicole Ross, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, State
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Serial #: None

OED Serial#: None

Noise Customer #: 1994, 2468, 2515, 2525 (Allview Estates); (Atholton Manor); 1312, 1313, 1831, 2202 (Guilford Downs)

Responding to letter dated: Follow-up to 10-15-2002 SHA-hosted community informational meeting for Atholton Manor and Guilford Downs at George Howard Building, Ellicott City; Howard County (with information provided by Ms. Elizabeth Calia) has indicated it may include a funding request for the Allview Estates, Atholton Manor and Guilford Downs sound barriers in its FY 2005 budget (June 2004); the construction start date would be scheduled by SHA for all three barriers (Atholton Manor, Guilford Downs and Allview Estates) once the County's funding has been approved

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

July 10, 2003

The Honorable Ken Ulman
Howard County Council
3430 Court House Drive
Ellicott City MD 21043-4392

Dear Councilman Ulman:

This letter is an update regarding the sound barrier for the Atholton Manor community, along southbound US 29 between Broken Land Parkway and Seneca Drive in Howard County. I appreciate the opportunity to provide this information.

At their October 15, 2002 meeting with residents of the Atholton Manor community, representatives of the State Highway Administration (SHA) stated that they expected to start construction on the barrier for the community in Fall 2003. We have since learned that the Howard County budget for FY 2004 does not include the County's share of the cost for this barrier. As a result, SHA will not proceed with construction this Fall but will establish a new construction schedule once the County's funding has been approved. Based on information we have received from Howard County staff, we have reason to hope that the County's FY 2005 budget may contain funding for this project.

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for Neil J. Pedersen
Administrator

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Mr. T.E. Severe, Administrative Assistant, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway
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Serial #: None

OED Serial#: None

Noise Customer #: 1090, 2424, 2552, 2568, 2620, 2663, 2682 (Atholton Manor)

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

May 13, 2003

Mr. Charlie K. Watkins
District Engineer
Maryland State Highway Administration
9300 Kenilworth Avenue
Greenbelt MD 20770-1403

Dear Mr. Watkins:

The State Highway Administration (SHA) will conduct two informational meetings for the Powder Mill Estates/Knollwood and Hollywood communities regarding the sound barrier projects along southbound I-95 just south of Cherry Hill Road (Powder Mill Estates), adjacent to the ramp from southbound I-95 to westbound I-495 (Knollwood), and adjacent to eastbound I-95/I495 extending the existing sound barrier toward the MARC/Metro tracks (Hollywood) in Prince George's County. The meeting for Powder Mill Estates and Knollwood communities is scheduled for Wednesday, June 11, 2003, from 7 to 9 p.m., in the Multi-Purpose Room/Cafeteria of the High Point High School, 3601 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville. The meeting for the Hollywood community is scheduled for Wednesday, June 18, 2003 in the Multi-Purpose Room/Cafeteria of the Hollywood Elementary School, 9811 49th Avenue, College Park. Before each of these meetings, displays will be available for viewing from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

The purpose of the meetings is to discuss the proposed sound barriers for the communities and to seek concurrence on the construction of the barrier from at least 75 percent of the impacted property owners that would benefit from the barriers. We will distribute vote cards at each meeting to those impacted homeowners. Impacted property owners who are eligible to vote are those whose homes experience existing highway noise levels of 66 decibels or greater.

Property owners who are unable to attend these meetings will receive a summary of the meeting and copies of all materials distributed at the meeting approximately seven to ten days following the meetings. Voting cards will also be included for impacted property owners who were unable to attend the meetings.

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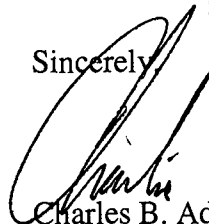
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Sincerely,



Charles B. Adams

Director

Office of Environmental Design

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Transportation
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Serial #: None

OED Serial#: None

Noise Customer #: 197, 1801, 1802 (Hollywood); 1238, 2014 (Knollwood); 271, 737, 2436
(Powder Mill Estates)

Responding to letter dated: Invitation to affected (both impacted and benefited) property owners to attend the SHA-hosted community informational meeting on 06-11-2003 at the High Point High School, 3601 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville, Maryland (Powder Mill Estates and Knollwood communities; Invitation to affected (both impacted and benefited) property owners to attend the SHA-hosted community informational meeting on 06-18-2003 at the Hollywood Elementary School, 9811 49th Avenue, College Park (Hollywood community)

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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September 3, 2003

The Honorable Michael H. Weir, Jr.
Maryland House of Delegates
418 Eastern Boulevard
Essex MD 21221-6714

Dear Delegate Weir:

This letter is an update on sound barrier projects for Baltimore County. Information was also recently provided to Baltimore County Executive James T. Smith, Jr., to aid Baltimore County in its budget deliberations.

The Oriole Avenue and Chesaco Park communities, located along northbound MD 695 from just north of Eastern Avenue (MD 150) to the south branch of Moores Run (Oriole Avenue) and from the Back River to the Amtrak railroad bridge northeast of Chesaco Avenue (Chesaco Park), meet all of the State Highway Administration's (SHA) criteria for a Type II, or "retrofit," sound barrier. This sound barrier project is not funded for design or construction at this time. There are no funds available for new sound barrier projects through FY 2008. At such time as funding may become available for new projects, the project would be eligible for funding when Baltimore County is able to commit to its share of the estimated cost. The current estimated cost for the sound barrier project for the Oriole Avenue community is \$1.5 million and for the Chesaco Park community is \$3.8 million. The County shares would be \$329,000 (Oriole Avenue) and \$835,000 (Chesaco Park).

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Sincerely,

Neil J. Pedersen

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Administrator

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Mr. Patrick H. Roddy, Assistant County Attorney/Legislative Liaison, Office of the
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January 6, 2003

The Honorable Albert R. Wynn
Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
8601 Georgia Avenue, #201
Silver Spring MD 20910-3438

Dear Congressman Wynn:

This letter is a follow-up to your recent inquiry to Mr. Charlie K. Watkins, District Engineer for the State Highway Administration (SHA), on behalf of your constituent, Ms. Brandi L. Tipperry. Ms. Tipperry, of the Calverton community in Silver Spring, had written to you regarding highway traffic noise coming from US 29 and the construction of an interchange at US 29 and Randolph Road/Cherry Hill Road. Mr. Watkins forwarded Ms. Tipperry's concerns to me, and I appreciate the opportunity to respond.

The SHA considers the need for sound barriers in two circumstances, designated "Type I" and "Type II." In "Type I" situations, barriers are considered when a new highway is being built or an existing highway is being expanded. In the case of US 29, improvements to provide additional capacity have been made from Sligo Creek Parkway, south of I-495, to the Patuxent River bridge at the Howard County line. The Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for this project, which was approved in March 1995, studied the potential impact of highway traffic noise in the project area. Ms. Tipperry's home at 2505 Shanandale Drive was included in "Noise Sensitive Area I" of the FEIS. Although the FEIS determined that four homes would be impacted by highway traffic noise, the cost of a sound barrier to protect these homes was approximately \$154,000 per residence. This amount greatly exceeded the maximum cost-per-residence of \$40,000 that was in effect at that time. Based on this information, a sound barrier was not considered.

The Calverton community has since been reevaluated to consider whether changes in barrier design and an increase in the maximum cost-per-residence to \$50,000 since the prior noise study would yield a different result. The reevaluation determined that, although nine residences would benefit from a sound barrier, the cost-per-residence for a barrier would be \$56,173. Because this amount still exceeds the maximum limit, a sound barrier for the Calverton community cannot be considered. Enclosed, for your information, is a copy of our brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*, which outlines the State's Sound Barrier Policy.

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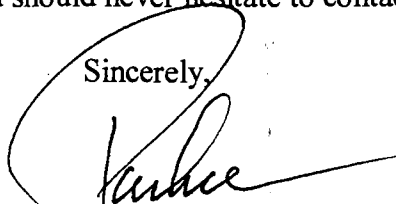
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Thank you for your inquiry on behalf of Ms. Tippet. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Charles B. Adams, SHA's Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8640, 1-800-446-5962, or cadams@sha.state.md.us. He will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should never hesitate to contact me directly, if you prefer.

Sincerely,



Parker F. Williams
Administrator

cc: Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
The Honorable Anne Kaiser, Delegate-elect, Maryland House of Delegates
The Honorable Rona E. Kramer, Senator-elect, Senate of Maryland
The Honorable Karen S. Montgomery, Delegate-elect, Maryland House of Delegates
The Honorable Marilyn J. Praisner, Member, Montgomery County Council
The Honorable Herman Taylor, Delegate-elect, Maryland House of Delegates
Ms. Brandi L. Tippet
Mr. Charlie K. Watkins, District Engineer, State Highway Administration

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Ms. Nicole Ross, Special Assistant to the Director of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration
Mr. T.E. Severe, Noise Abatement Team, State Highway Administration

Serial #: None

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Noise Customer #: 2661

Responding to letter dated: Follow-up to 12-12-2002 letter from Dist. Eng. Charlie K. Watkins to Con. Albert R. Wynn on behalf of his constituent, Ms. Brandi L. Tippery who had contacted Con. Wynn in a 09-20-2002 letter asking his assistance to get a sound barrier for the Calverton community along US 29 at Randolph Road/Cherry Hill Road (new interchange under construction) – Ms. Tippery does not want a wooden screen fence with landscaping but wants “a sound barrier installed, as soon as possible, in lieu of the wooden fencing” – also had complaint about use of generator to supply electricity to the construction trailer – Mr. Watkins advised Con. Wynn that the use of the generator was temporary until full electrical service is provide to the trailer.

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Enclosure:

One copy of MDOT/SHA brochure, *Community Resource Guide On Sound Barriers*

ORIGINATED BY: C.B. ADAMS
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DATE RECEIVED BY ORIGINATING OFFICE: _____

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SUBJECT: follow up to letter for Dist Eng Wadkin

RE: US 24 @ RANDOLPH ROAD INTERCHANGE PROJECT

FOR ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE USE

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PLEASE FURNISH THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FOR THE
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YES ☒ NO ☐

IF YES, GIVE DEADLINE DATE: 12/27/2002

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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

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YES ☐ NO ☒ IF YES, WHO? _____

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS TO ADMINISTRATOR'S STAFF: _____

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Mr. Charlie Watkins
District Engineer
Maryland State Highway Administration
9300 Kenilworth Avenue
Greenbelt, Maryland 20770

Dear Mr. Watkins:

I am writing on behalf of Ms. Brandi Tippery in response to her concerns about construction along U.S. 29.

Enclosed for your review is a copy of the correspondence and any other relevant documentation outlining this problem. If you need further information, please contact my Silver Spring Office at 301.588.7328.

In consideration of the issues raised, please review this case and apprise me on its status and your findings. Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Albert R. Wynn
Member of Congress

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December 12, 2002

The Honorable Albert R. Wynn
Congress of the United States
8601 Georgia Avenue
Suite 201
Silver Spring MD 20910

Dear Congressman Wynn:

Thank you for your recent letter forwarding the concerns of your constituent, Ms. Brandi Tippers, regarding sound barriers at the US 29 (Columbia Pike) Randolph Road/Cherry Hill Road interchange and nighttime noise from our construction project. The State Highway Administration (SHA) welcomes the opportunity to respond to these concerns.

Regarding the possibility and type of sound barriers as well as landscaping that will be provided; I have forwarded your letter to Mr. Charles Adams, Director of our Office of Environmental Design, so that he can respond directly to you.

The noise being heard during the night is from the generator providing temporary power to our construction trailer. This noise will cease as soon as full service is provided, which should be in the very near future. The frustration with the nighttime noise is certainly understandable. We apologize for any distress this may have caused your constituents and ask for their continued patience as we proceed on these needed highway improvements.

Thank you again for your letter. If you have any questions or require additional information regarding this project, please do not hesitate to contact me at 301-513-7311 or 1-800-749-0737.

Sincerely,

Charlie K. Watkins
District Engineer

cc: ✓ Mr. Charles B. Adams, Director, Office of Environmental Design, State Highway Administration (w/incoming)
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The Honorable Albert R. Wynn
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Albert R. Wynn
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Dear Mr. Wynn,

I live in Silver Spring in the Calverton subdivision. There is a state highway road construction project that is underway to build a bridge to put Randolph/Cherry Hill Road over Route 29. The Federal government funded this project so that they could speed up the flow of traffic on Route 29 for the Food and Drug Administration that will be located in White Oak.

I have spoken with the project coordinator, Melinda Peters, several times about the possibility of putting up a sound barrier to block the road noise between our neighborhood and Route 29. The final time I spoke with her (about 6 months ago), she indicated that, as part of the bridge project, they would be installing wooden fencing with landscaping, similar to what is on Randolph Road between Route 29 and New Hampshire Avenue.

We have lived in our home for four years and the traffic on Route 29 has increased rapidly each year to the extent that we hear significant traffic noise 24 hours a day.

We do not agree with the wooden fencing for two reasons. First, we do not believe that it will sufficiently block the road noise from Route 29. Second, the wooden fencing on Randolph Road has been in place for about 2-3 years and it is warping, dulling and looks unappealing. We are not interested in having something installed that will make the neighborhood look unsightly in a few years.

At this point, I am looking to you for assistance in having a sound barrier installed, as soon as possible, in lieu of the wooden fencing.

In addition to the sound barrier/wooden fencing issue, the construction trailers at the corner of Route 29 and Cherry Hill Road that are being used for this project are running on large generators that produce a loud humming noise throughout the day. During the daytime hours, this is not an issue. However, there have been many occasions (and has recently increased in frequency) where the noise can be heard late into the night, up until 3:00 - 4:00am. While I understand that they are in a time crunch and need to complete this project, the late hours that they are keeping in the trailer have severely hindered our ability to get a continuous night's sleep.

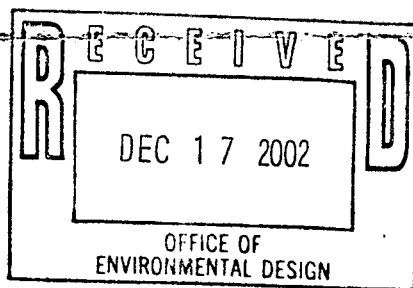
To that end, I am hoping that there is something you can do to help us with these issues. If you would like to discuss these issues further, please do not hesitate to contact me at home (301) 572-2080, or during the day at work (301) 664-9379.

Sincerely,

Brandi Tippery

Brandi Tippery
2505 Shanandale Drive
Silver Spring, MD 20904

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Wednesday, December 18, 2002 04:41 PM

Admin

ID #	MAP	DATE	Letter or Phone onl	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	Active?
2661		12/18/2002	Letter	TIPPERY	Ms. Brandi L.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
STREET#	STREET NAME	COUNTY	CITY (Post office	ZIPCODE	Representative statu	
2505	Shanandale Drive	MO	Silver Spring	20904-1627	private	
Elected Official whom has communicated directly to us on this custome						Congressman Albert R. Wynn
DAY PHONE	HOME PHONE	E-Mail address	COMMUNITY			
			Calverton			
Logical Project Limits	ROADWAY	US 29	BarrierName			
NE quadrant of US 29/Randolph Rd interchange						
RESPONSE	INQUIRY			2nd Contact		
to Con. Wynn - described Type I only and how comm was studied in 1995 FEIS - fails for cost per residence				wants barrier; wants generator at trailer to be turned off at night		
Last Contact				Researcher	Primary SHA Contact	
12/18/2002					none	Construction Projects
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Do we owe a letter? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Letter Commit due date: 12/27/2002						
LAST action						
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Reason Letter is Late n/a						
12-18-02 Rec'd letter from Mr. Wynn on behalf of Ms. Tippery via Charlie Watkins; she wants a sound barrier ASAP not a wooden screen fence and landscaping; Environ doc indicates no noise mitigation for cost per residence						
Comments: This field can not be sorted or searched.: OPPE or Hwy rep.current type 1 inf						
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BRANDI L TIPPERY Use: RESIDENTIAL

Mailing Address: 2505 SHANANDALE DR
SILVER SPRING MD 20904-1627 Principal Residence: YES

Deed Reference: 1) /16721/ 558
2)

Location & Structure Information

Premises Address 2505 SHANANDALE DR
SILVER SPRING 20904-1627

Zoning R90

Legal Description CALVERTON

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Primary Structure Built	Enclosed Area	Property Land Area	County Use
1967	1,363 SF	21,434.00 SF	111

Stories	Basement	Type	Exterior
1	YES	SPLIT LEVEL	FRAME

Value Information

	Base Value	Value As Of 01/01/2000	Phase-in Assessments As Of 07/01/2002	As Of 07/01/2003
Land:	83,210	83,210		
Improvements:	95,700	95,700		
Total:	178,910	178,910	178,910	NOT AVAIL
Preferential Land:	0	0	0	NOT AVAIL

Transfer Information

Seller: CHRISTOPHER D TIPPERY & Type: NOT ARMS-LENGTH	Date: 01/28/1999 Deed1: /16721/ 558	Price: \$0 Deed2:
Seller: JEFFREY F & K PANIATI Type: IMPROVED ARMS-LENGTH	Date: 06/17/1998 Deed1: /15954/ 238	Price: \$185,000 Deed2:
Seller: Type: IMPROVED ARMS-LENGTH	Date: 10/29/1986 Deed1: / 7368/ 809	Price: \$130,000 Deed2:

Exemption Information

Partial Exempt Assessments	Class	07/01/2002	07/01/2003
County	000	0	0
State	000	0	0
Municipal	000	0	0

Tax Exempt: NO
Exempt Class:

Con. Albert R. Wynn

Special Tax Recapture:

* NONE *

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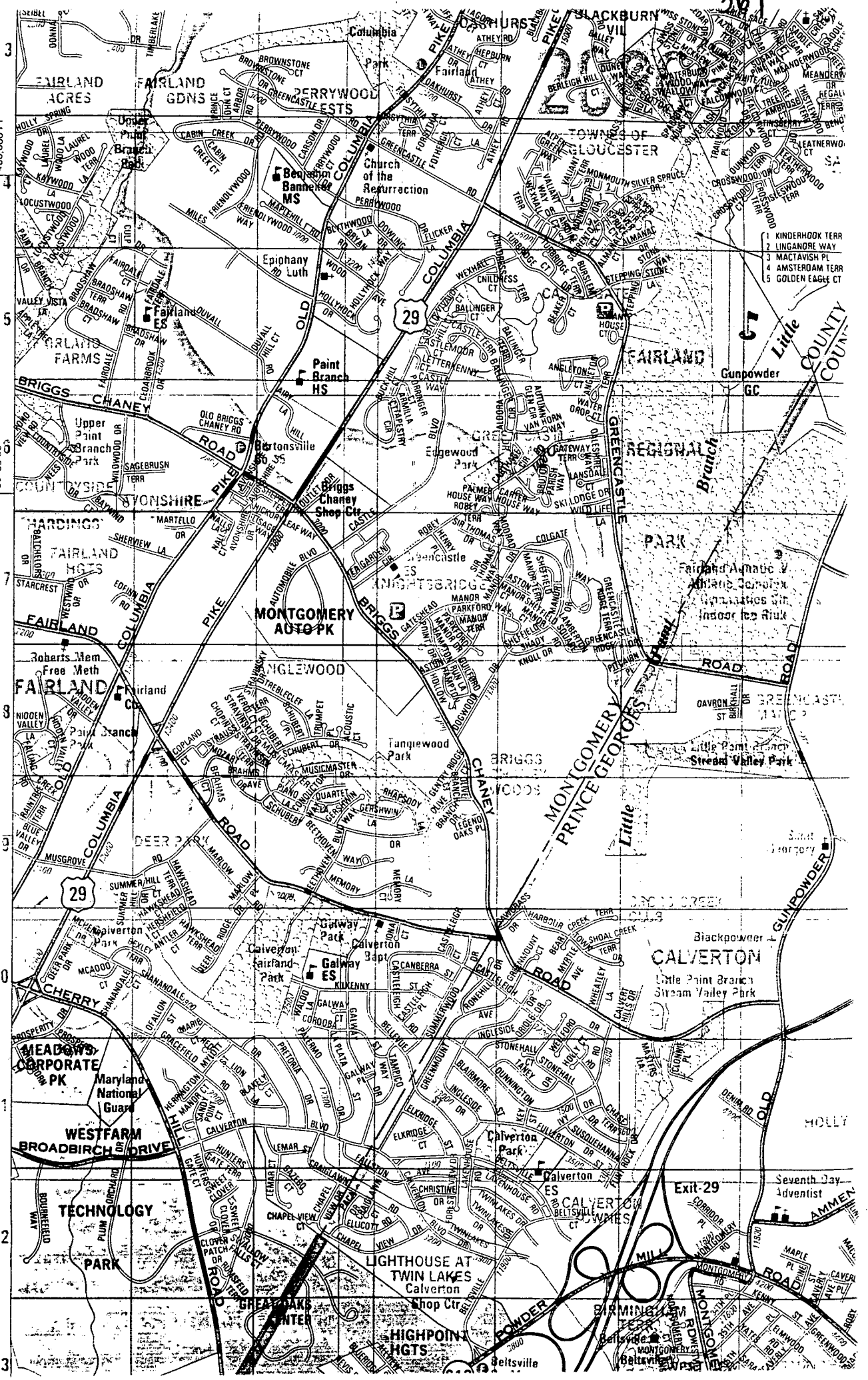
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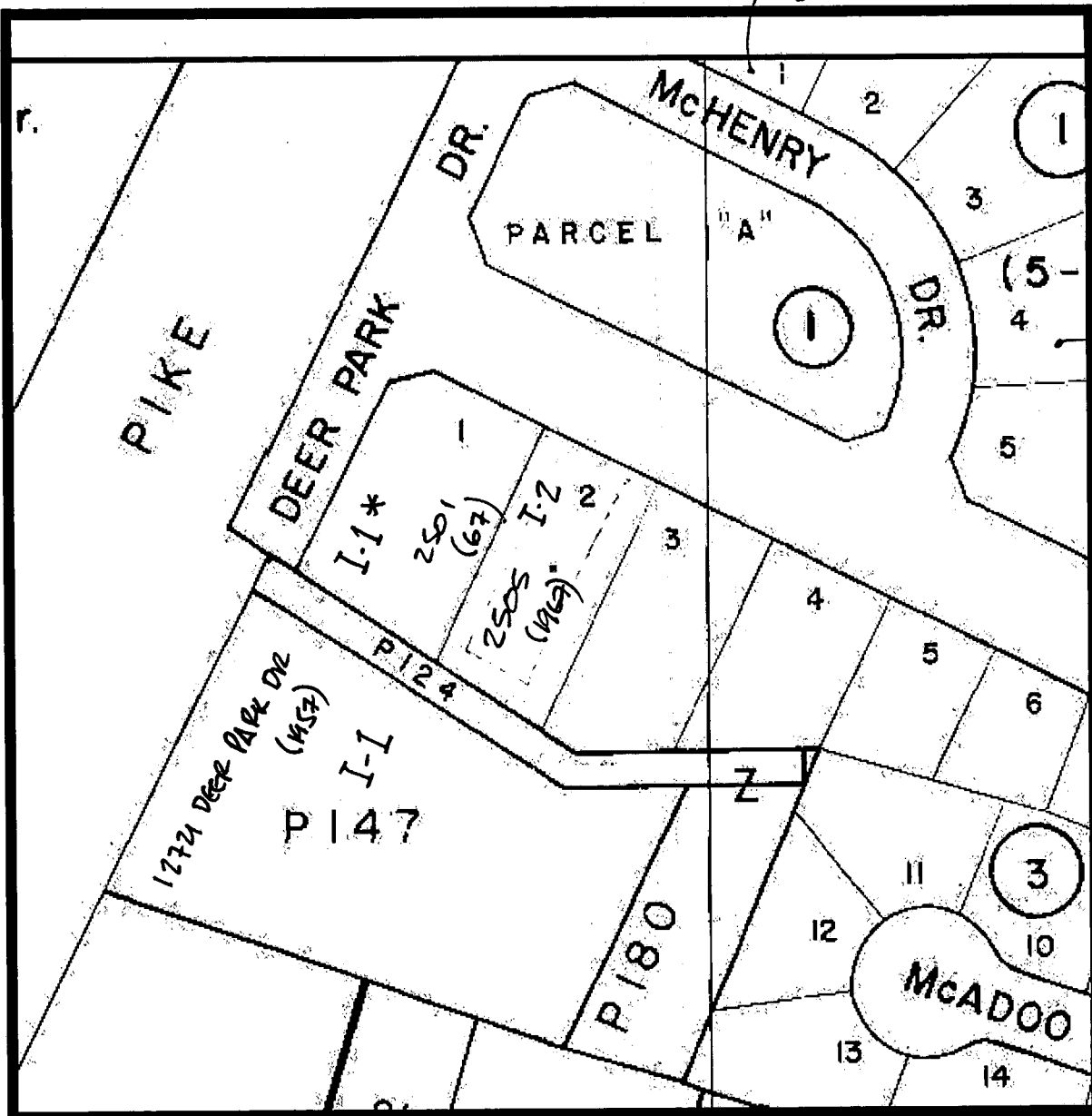




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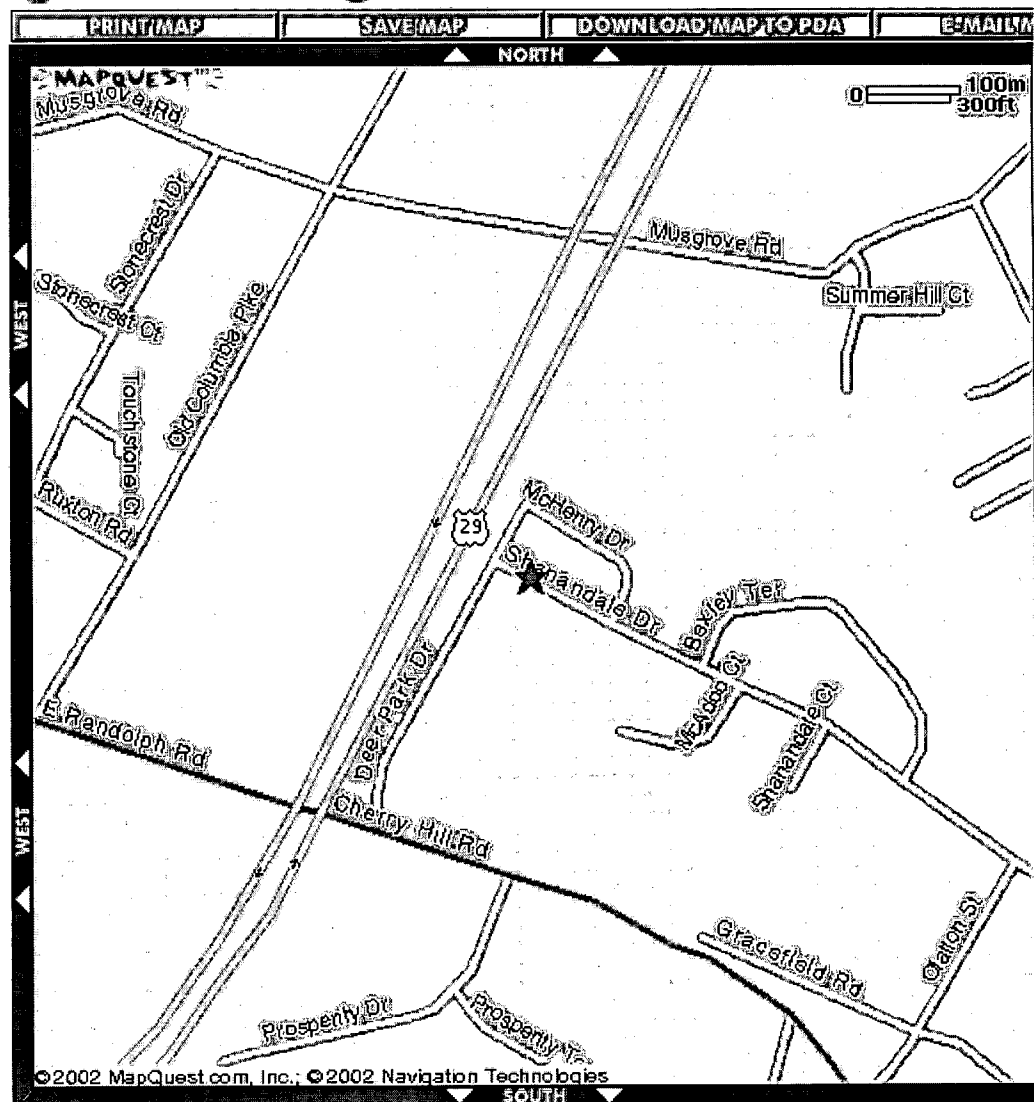
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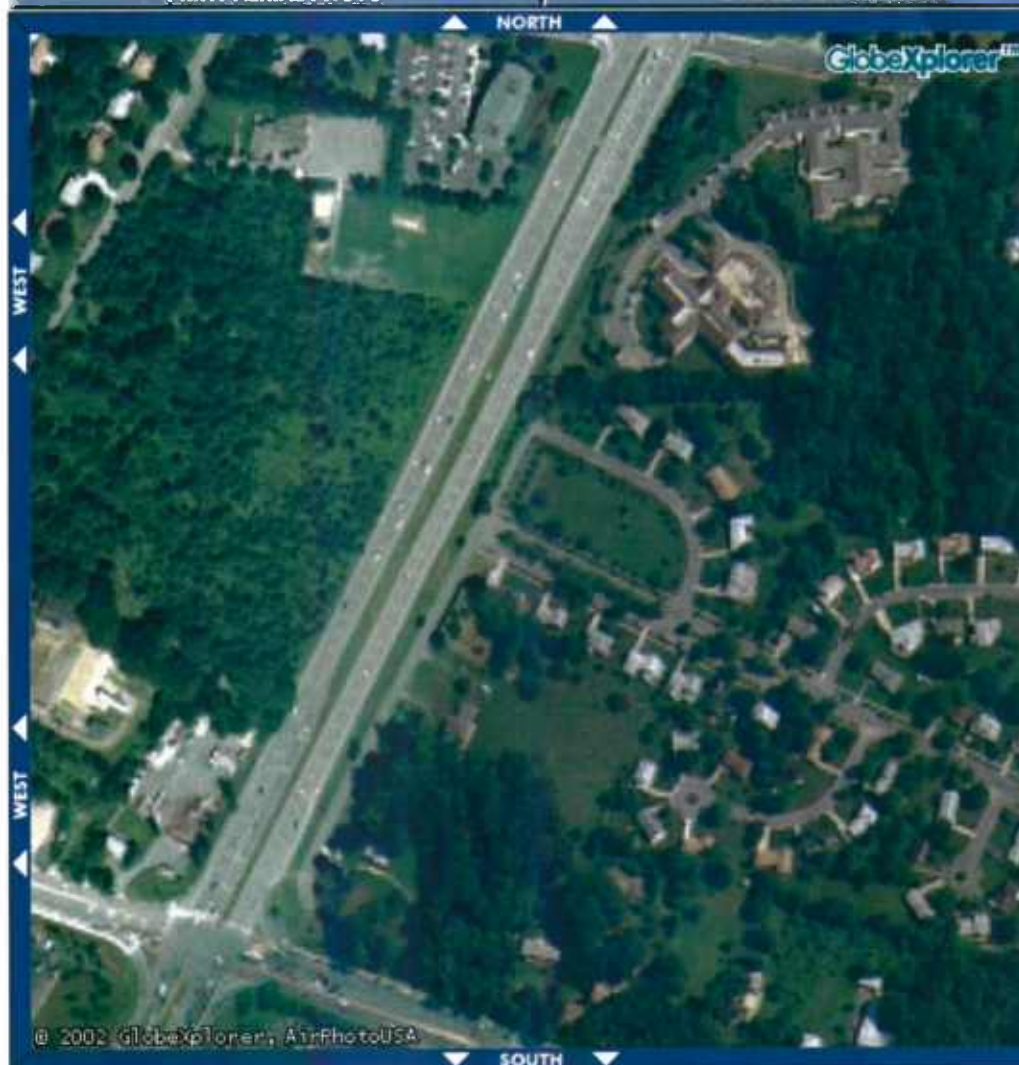


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U.S. ROUTE 29
from Sligo Creek to Howard County Line
Montgomery County, Maryland

FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

Submitted Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 4332 (2)(C)

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Neil J. Pedersen
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March 9, 1995
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David W. Lawton
Federal Highway Administration
Deputy Regional Federal
Highway Administrator

March 20, 1995
Date

The proposed action involves intersection and lane improvements and new alignments for the Montgomery County portion of U.S. Route 29 from Sligo Creek Parkway, south of I-495, to the Patuxent River Bridge at the Howard County line. The purpose of these proposed highway improvements is to provide additional safe and efficient capacity for this 11.35 mile segment of the U.S. Route 29 corridor, which contains numerous major residential, commercial, and industrial developments along the north-south roadway.

The Selected Alternate C includes: (1) grade-separated interchanges north of MD 650 and (2) intersection improvements south of MD 650. Environmental impacts in the areas of land use, neighborhoods, businesses, community services, natural resources, air quality, and noise are presented.

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Columbia Road. The barrier would be located between stations 268+90 and 295+50, would begin on structure, transition to the top of the embankment, and continue along Old Columbia Road. Total cost would be approximately \$763,890 or \$95,490/residence.

Based upon a review of all reasonableness and feasibility criteria, mitigation measures evaluated for Bronzegate Apartments would not be considered reasonable and feasible because of constraints on cost.

Approximately six first-row residences in Rolling Acres and three apartment buildings in Inverleigh face U.S. Route 29. Sixteen impacted receptors would benefit from a barrier approximately 2,200 feet in length and 16 feet in height which would provide a 5-10 dBA reduction of U.S. Route 29 noise levels for first-row receptor locations. Abatement of noise levels associated with Old Columbia Road (Inverleigh Apartments) and Cedar Hill Road (Rolling Acres) would not be feasible with the proposed barrier due to access and safety restrictions (Figure IV-8). The barrier would be located between stations 286 and 304 and would parallel the southbound lanes of U.S. Route 29 at a setback distance of approximately 24 feet. Total cost would be approximately \$580,555 or \$36,285/residence.

Based upon a review of all reasonableness and feasibility criteria, mitigation measures evaluated for Rolling Acres and Inverleigh Apartments is recommended for detailed study during final design.

Noise Sensitive Area I: Shanandale Drive

Approximately four impacted residences would benefit from a barrier approximately 1,780 feet in length and 21 feet in height. The barrier would provide an 9-10 dBA reduction of U.S. Route 29 noise levels for first-row receptor locations (Figure IV-9). The barrier would be located between stations 339+20 and 351+70, would begin along the proposed northbound entrance ramp and continue along the northbound lanes of U.S. route 29 at a setback of approximately 24 feet. Total cost would be approximately \$615,450 or \$153,850/residence.

Based upon a review of all reasonableness and feasibility criteria, mitigation measures evaluated for this residence would not be considered reasonable and feasible because of constraints on cost.

Noise Sensitive Area J: Residence North of Fairland Road

For the Selected Alternative, future predicted noise levels would be reduced 10 dBA at receptor J1 with a barrier 21 feet in height. Barrier length and location would be equivalent to the No-Build Alternative barrier discussion. The barrier would cost approximately \$326,964. The barrier location studied is presented graphically in Figure IV-10.

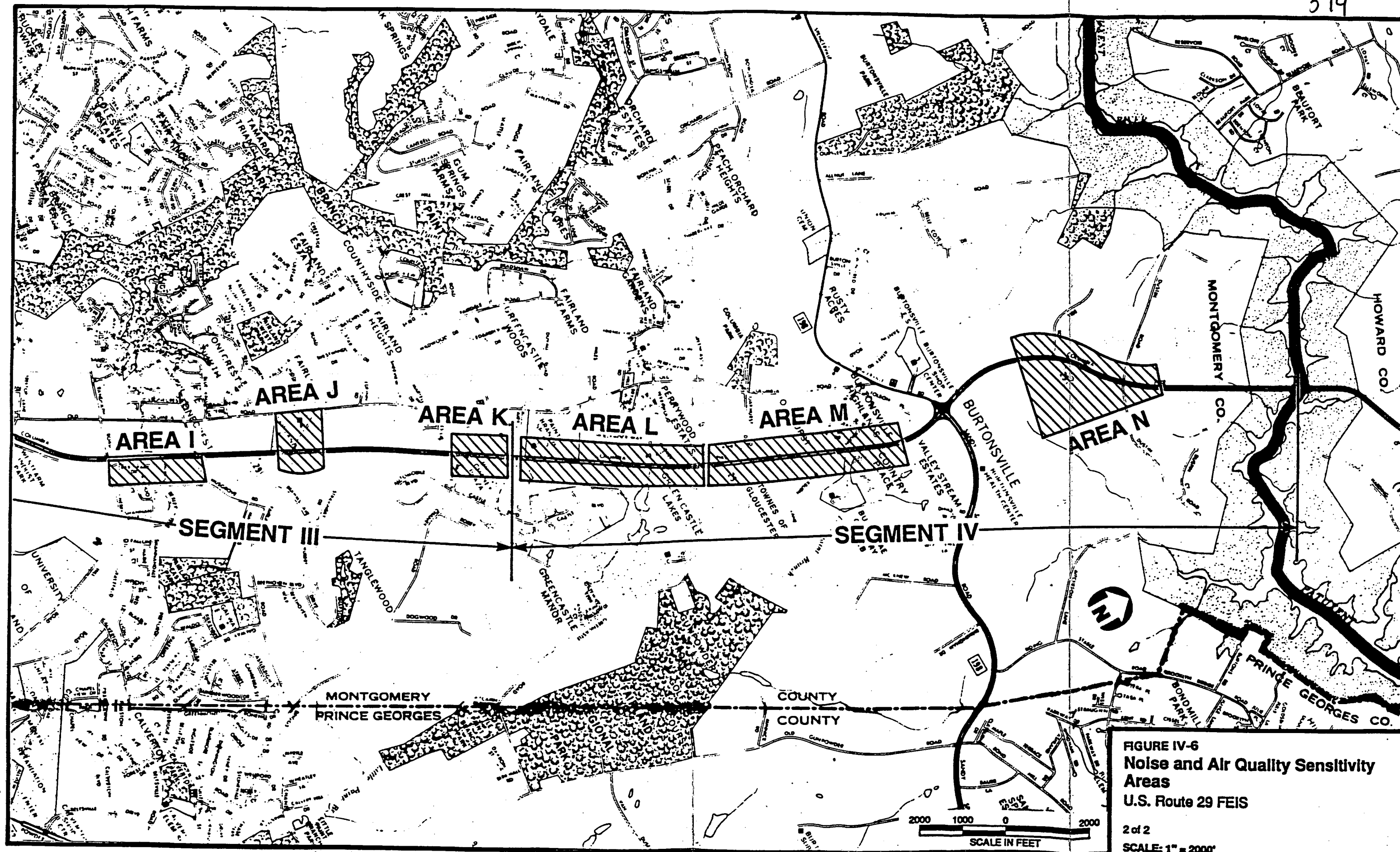
Based upon a review of all reasonableness and feasibility criteria, mitigation measures evaluated for this residence would not be considered reasonable and feasible because of constraints on cost.

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Table IV-12

Abatement Summary Noise Sensitive Areas
U.S. Route 29
Montgomery, County, MD

NSA	Description	No. of Homes Impacted and Benefitted	Selected Alternative				Barriers			Cost Per Residence (\$ x 1000)	Notes
			Ambient ⁽¹⁾	No-Build (Design Year)	Build (Design Year)	Build w/ Barrier (Design Year)	Length (ft.)	Height (ft.)	Cost ⁽²⁾ (\$ mil.)		
G	Oak Hill Apts.	2	62	63-65	66-68	60-63	1180	16	.315	157	Mitigation measures evaluated but not reasonable because benefits do not justify cost.
	White Oak Towers	0	58	57-58	60-61	--	--	--	--	--	
	Springbrook Manor	9	63	58-64	62-68	55-57	2800	16-21	.856	95	Mitigation measures evaluated but not reasonable because benefits do not justify cost.
H	Bronzegate Apts.	8	58	65-66	68-69	58-60	2200	16-21	.764	95.5	Mitigation measures evaluated but not reasonable because benefits do not justify cost.
	Rolling Acres/Inverleigh	16	64	65-71	68-75	60-69	2200	16	.580	36	Detailed studies of noise mitigation measures recommended during final design.
I	Shanandale Drive	4	60	60-67 B - NB = 3	63-70	56-61	1780	21	.615	154	Mitigation measures evaluated but not reasonable because benefits do not justify cost.
J	Res. N. of Fairland Rd.	1	62	65-70	68	57	945	16	.249	249	Mitigation measures evaluated but not reasonable because benefits do not justify cost.
	Fairland Elementary School	0	50	59-64	62-67	--	--	--	--	--	
K	Windsor Court Apts.	8	58	64-66	67-69	59-60	1300	21	.442	55.5	Mitigation measures evaluated but not reasonable because benefits do not justify cost.
	Avonshire Apts.	14	61	67-71	70-74	60-63	1200	11-16	.414	29.5	Detailed studies of noise mitigation measures recommended during final design.
L	Greencastle Lakes	28	62	60-68	63-70	56-63	3800	21-26	1.418	50.6	Mitigation measures evaluated but not reasonable because benefits do not justify cost.
	Paint Branch High School	0	51	60-63	63-67	--	--	--	--	--	
	Perrywood Estates	20	60	59-70	62-73	58-62	2400	21	.833	41.6	Detailed studies of noise mitigation measures recommended during final design.



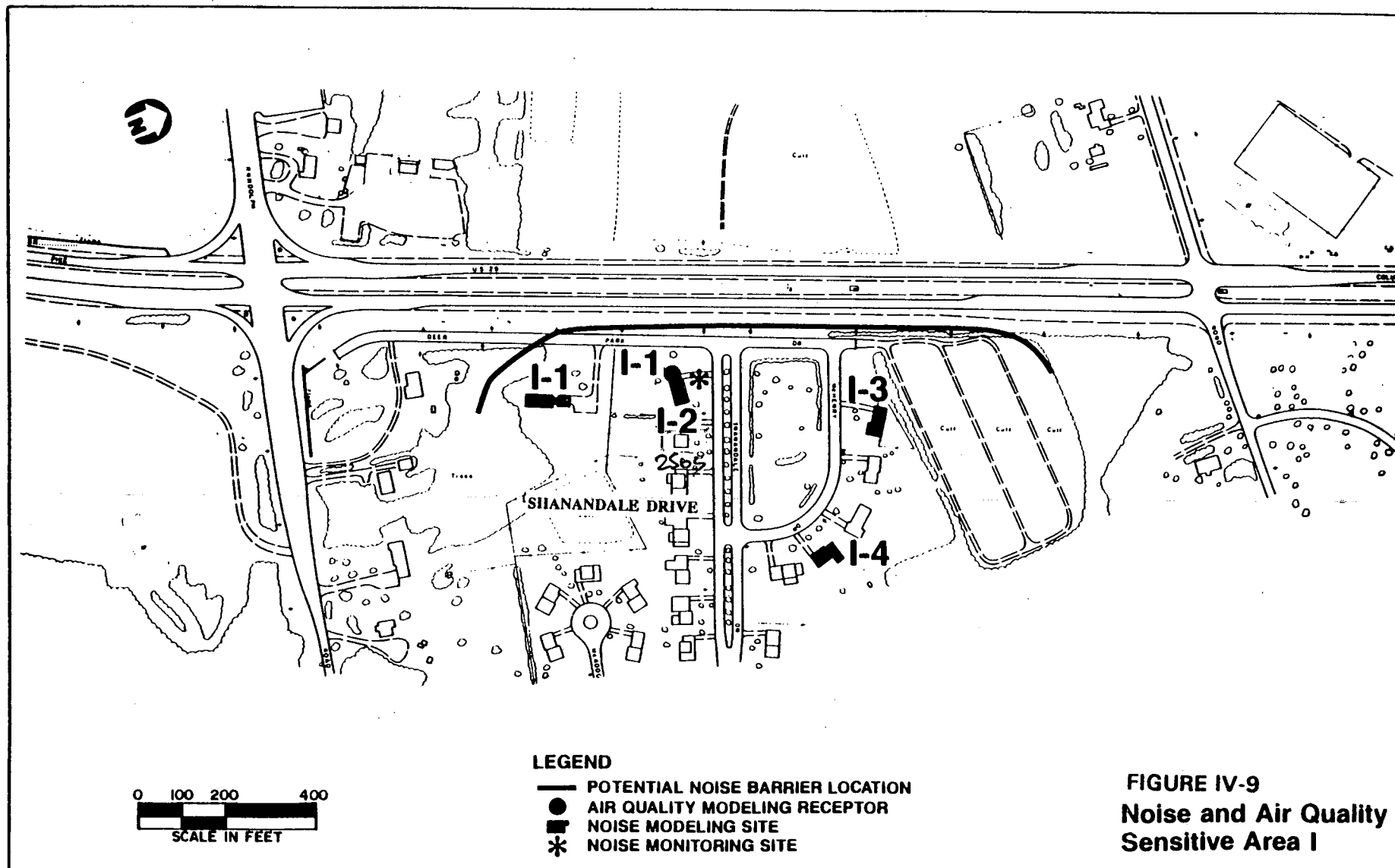


FIGURE IV-9
Noise and Air Quality
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<u>JALADHI SADHANA &</u>	05 00362346	2924 SHANANDALE DR	H	KQ43
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<u>SAFFER DANIEL H &</u>	05 00359612	3004 SHANANDALE DR	H	KQ43

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<u>RITSEMA GORDON L</u>	05 00363374	3016 SHANANDALE DR	H	KQ43
<u>REPETTO JOHN R</u>	05 00363636	3020 SHANANDALE DR	H	KQ43
<u>BOTTINO PAUL J &</u>	05 00362277	3024 SHANANDALE DR	H	KQ43
<u>SALAZAR SANTOS &</u>	05 00362643	3028 SHANANDALE DR	H	KQ43
<u>JOHN SUSAN</u>	05 00362120	3032 SHANANDALE DR	H	KQ43

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

September 3, 2003

The Honorable Robert A. Zirkin
Maryland House of Delegates
304 Lowe House Office Building
84 College Avenue
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

Dear Delegate Zirkin:

This letter is an update on sound barrier projects for Baltimore County. Information was also recently provided to Baltimore County Executive James T. Smith, Jr., to aid Baltimore County in its budget deliberations.

The Woodholme Avenue community, adjacent to the ramp from Reisterstown Road (MD 140) to southbound I-695, meets all of the State Highway Administration's (SHA) criteria for a Type II, or "retrofit," sound barrier. This sound barrier project is not funded for design or construction at this time. There are no funds available for new sound barrier projects through FY 2008. At such time as funding may become available for new projects, the project would be eligible for funding when Baltimore County is able to commit to its share of the estimated cost. The current estimated cost for the sound barrier project for the Woodholme Avenue community is \$2.0 million, with the County share being \$439,000.

It may be helpful for you to know that, when barriers are considered for inclusion in our capital budget, they are prioritized—first, by the order in which each county's commitments for the local share have been received; and, second, by the age of the communities. Once SHA receives a commitment for any of these Baltimore County projects, it will be prioritized as described above.

My telephone number/toll-free number is **410-545-0400 or 1-800-206-0770**

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The SHA looks forward to working with Baltimore County's representatives to provide barriers for these eligible communities. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Charles B. Adams, SHA's Director of Environmental Design, at 410-545-8640 or, by e-mail, at cadams@sha.state.md.us. He will be happy to assist you. Of course, you should never hesitate to contact me directly, if you prefer.

Sincerely,

Neil J. Pedersen

Neil J. Pedersen
Administrator

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Serial #: None

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Responding to letter dated: Follow-up to 08-04-2003 letter to BA Co Exec. James T. Smith, Jr., from SHA Administrator Pedersen listing Type II barrier-eligible communities in Baltimore County that have not yet been agreed to be funded by the County; this information to also be provided to the Senators, Delegates and Baltimore County Council members whose districts include the listed communities

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